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**Staff Sgt. Ramiro Rodriguez greets his daughters Lillie, 2, and Emilee, 1, at Misawa Air Base, Japan.**

# 'It's good to be home'

## Misawa squadron returns after 3 months in Iraq

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**JENNIFER H. SVAN**/Stars and Stripes

Misawa Air Base, Japan, servicemembers disembark from a 757 jet in front of Hangar 949 on Saturday after a three-month deployment to Iraq. More than 70 people returned home on a chartered flight — the new way Pacific Air Forces and Air Mobility Command is shuttling large groups of Pacific troops back and forth between Japan and southwest Asia.

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## News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Michael Jackson case:** Key details surrounding Michael Jackson's child molestation case were again hidden from public view when a judge sealed a critical defense motion in the case without comment.

Santa Barbara County Superior Court Judge Rodney Melville on Friday sealed a motion that seeks dismissal of charges against the singer at the request of defense attorney Thomas Messereau Jr., continuing a pattern of secrecy imposed throughout the proceedings.

**Schwarzenegger suit:** A Los Angeles judge Friday dismissed a libel suit brought against California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and his campaign by a former spokeswoman who leveled election eve charges last fall that she had twice been assaulted by him.

In an 11-page opinion, Superior Court Judge Robert L. Hess ruled that Rhonda Miller's decision to hold a news conference to level her accusations put her in the role of a limited public figure. As such, Hess said, Miller's attorneys had to offer "clear and convincing" evidence that Schwarzenegger and others knew Miller had no criminal history when the campaign sent out an e-mail to reporters suggesting they check Miller's background in criminal court records.

**Ronald Reagan mourning:** The nation ends its formal mourning of the death of President Reagan on Saturday, when flags lowered to half-staff can again be flown at full-staff.

President Bush ordered flags flown at half-staff for 30 days after Reagan died on June 5 at age 93.

White House spokesman Jimmy Orr said, however, it was decided to raise the flags early, over the Fourth of July weekend, "in honor and tribute to the memory of President Reagan."

**Spector case:** Legendary record producer Phil Spector was his money back.

He claims in a lawsuit that his former attorney, Robert L. Shapiro, owes him at least a portion of the \$1 million retainer he paid for legal counsel in his murder case.

But Shapiro says Spector actually owes him \$500,000, according to the lawsuit.

The two men parted ways in February, when Spector brought in a new legal team to defend him on charges that he fatally shot Lana Clarkson, a 40-year-old actress and nightclub hostess.

Meanwhile, in Spector's criminal case, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge



MARK RANKIN/Stars and Stripes

**Futenma holiday fun:** Mai Sakumoto, 5, left, and her sister Maho Sakumoto, 4, from Ginowan, Okinawa, enjoy one of the many amusement rides at the Futenma Flightline Fair Fourth of July celebration Saturday.

Carlos Uranga ordered defense attorneys on Friday to turn over a fingernail that belonged to Clarkson if they have it, or else it may not be later submitted for evidence.

**Space station crew:** Still weary from his spacewalk, space station astronaut Mike Fincke got a surprise call from a "specialist" with a new bedtime procedure.

"Step one is that you may have a bedtime treat if you've been good and not sassied anyone. And step one-A is that you have to go to the bathroom ..."

"Step three is, let me see, that's wash your face and hands — that's both hands. And brush your teeth and don't spit on the floor."

And number four is, oh yes, say your prayers. And number five is get into your jammies and you may have three bedtime stories but nothing too scary. Copy?"

The reply from space: "Hi, Mom."

Alma Fincke burst into laughter at Mission Control. "You got me," she said.

**Cassini images:** The U.S.-European Cassini spacecraft strained to see through the murky atmosphere of Titan on its first flyby of Saturn's enormous moon.

The raw images from Cassini's flyby at a distance of about 200,000 miles early Friday had little clarity.

## World

**France serial killings:** Investigators found human remains near a French chateau where a confessed serial killer admitted to burying 12-year-old Elisabeth Brichet and 22-year-old Jeanne-Marie Desramault on the property, officials said. Both went missing in 1989.

Suspect Michel Fournier, jailed in Belgium since June 2003, agreed to help authorities find the bodies on the grounds of a chateau he once owned in northern France, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

**Afghanistan efforts:** U.S. forces in Afghanistan killed about a dozen militants in the past week, the military said Saturday, in efforts to keep Taliban-led rebels on the defensive ahead of Afghanistan's national elections.

Afghan officials said another 12 militants were killed in a clash late Friday, but the U.S. military had no word on that fighting.

The dozen deaths announced by the U.S. military occurred in skirmishes across the troubled south in which another dozen militants were detained, U.S. spokesman Maj. Jon Siepmann said.

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About 200 family members turned out to greet the returning troops at Misawa Air Base, Japan, on Saturday. More than 70 Misawa service members arrived home after a three-month deployment to Iraq.

## A safe landing

### 35th Civil Engineering Squadron comes back to Misawa from Iraq

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN

Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — After repairing air-conditioning units in southern Iraq's scorching heat for three months, Staff Sgt. Undra Parker was looking forward to a home-cooked meal of collard greens, fried chicken, cornbread and cheeseecake, courtesy of his wife, Mildred.

"It's good to be home," said the heating, ventilation and air-conditioning craftsman with the 35th Civil Engineering Squadron at Misawa.

Parker and more than 70 fellow civil engineer squadron members — deployed as part of the Air Force's Aerospace Expeditionary Force cycle — returned to Misawa Saturday to a hero's welcome.

About 200 family members gathered outside Hangar 949 with cameras, tiny American flags and homemade signs. They screamed with excitement when the 757 jet came to a halt and the troops, clad in desert camouflage, disembarked.

The jubilant homecoming was reminiscent of a ship's reception, marking the first time Misawa troops returned en masse from war. Pacific Air Forces and Air Mobility Command recently approved chartered flights to carry PACAF troops to and from Southwest Asia, officials said.

Airmen typically deploy and come home either solo or in small groups, relying on a combination of military and commercial aircraft for transportation. This time, instead of 42 hours across the continental United States and Europe, the flight home was 16 hours, including one short refueling stop in Thailand.

"We would like to do this way all the time," said Col. Tom Yamani, 35th Mission Support Group Commander. "I think it's the most cost-effective way to do it and the most mission-effective

way to do it."

Misawa was ready for its troops: The 35th Services Squadron provided a big spread of food and drinks; tables were set up for airmen to submit their medical records and process financial vouchers. Their bags were hand-delivered soon after the plane landed.

"We were trying to make this as painless as possible ... so they can go back with their families and not have to show up in 14 different places" for in-processing, said Chief Master Sgt. Tom Langdon, acting 35th Fighter Wing command chief.

For many spouses, being apart from their husband or wife was old hat. But this deployment felt different, several said.

"It was kind of scary this time because other times it wasn't as dangerous," said Janna Naputi, adding that she avoided watching the news while her husband, Staff Sgt. Joseph Naputi, was deployed.

Misawa airman, however, said they felt safe. The civil engineering group lived on Tali Air Base in southern Iraq, where they rebuilt the former Iraqi stronghold destroyed during Desert Storm more than 10 years ago.

The base was attacked once during their deployment — three small missiles "that were way off," said Lt. Col. Dave Maharry, 35th Civil Engineering Squadron commander.

One of the group's bigger projects was repairing 600 potholes on one of Tali's runways so it was operable for fighters that needed to divert to the airfield, Maharry said.

While civil engineering now has most of its members back from Iraq, "we still have many Misawa people out," Langdon said. More than 300 people were part of the AEF rotation that departed from Misawa starting in March.

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## Willard heading back to Pentagon

### Seventh Fleet commander leaving for Washington advisory post

BY NANCY MONTGOMERY

Stars and Stripes

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE — Vice Adm. Robert Willard, commander of the Navy's Seventh Fleet for the past two years, is heading to the Pentagon for his next assignment, advising on how the Navy should be structured, tested and resourced.

Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld announced in a news release Friday that Willard's new title would be director of Force Structure, Resources and Assessment.

Willard, a 1973 U.S. Naval Academy graduate originally from Los Angeles, will report to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

"It's a good job," Willard said in a phone interview from his home on Yokosuka Naval Base on Saturday.

Willard served in the late 1990s at the Pentagon, on the staff of the joint chiefs as deputy director for what was then called Operations and which, he said, dealt with large strategic issues.

His latest appointment must be confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Willard said he's hopeful he'll be confirmed between Congress's Fourth of July break and its summer recess.

If so, he'll be relieved shortly after by Rear Adm. Jonathan Greenert, who was deputy and chief of staff for the Pacific Fleet until he was confirmed recently to lead the Seventh Fleet. Greenert is to be promoted to vice admiral shortly before the as yet unscheduled change-of-command ceremony.



Willard

It is, coincidentally, the second time Greenert has relieved Willard. Willard also served as Pacific Fleet deputy and chief of staff before taking command of the Navy's largest forward-deployed fleet in July 2002.

"Regretful to be going to the Pentagon — that would be too strong a word. Regretful to be leaving the Seventh Fleet — yes, it's a wonderful job," Willard said. "It's a joy any officer would enjoy embedding himself in for a long time. We think it's a very important job, viewing the Navy's responsibility in this part of the world. It's an immensely fulfilling

job, just because of the forces and the sailors, and the nature of the operations you're involved in."

In particular, Willard said, he relished working with the navies of other nations in the region and especially the Japanese Self-Defense Forces.

"The close linkage, I think, is what's really maintained the peace for decades now," Willard said.

Willard has enjoyed a stellar Naval career, doing everything from flying F-14s (and flying in the movie "Top Gun") to commanding fighter squadrons and a variety of ships, including the USS Abraham Lincoln.

"I would tell you that every one of these jobs comes with a challenge. Every challenge has been fun for me," Willard said. "I've loved being Seventh Fleet commander. I loved being an aircraft carrier commander and I loved flying the F-14. I've been very fortunate in what I've been able to do in the Navy."

Working again at the Pentagon, Willard said, will provide him the opportunity to be connected with ongoing military transformation efforts.

"It's an impressive place with impressive responsibilities," he said.

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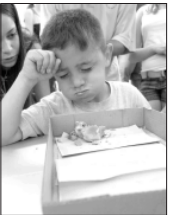
## Camp Zama July 4th celebration



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Left: Master Sgt. Joe Armstead, right, and 1st Sgt. Therese Hamblen, from the 78th Signal Battalion participate in a tug-of-war contest at Dewey Park in Camp Zama during Saturday's Independence Day celebration. Right: Jesse LeBeau, 8, gets a little pep talk from his aunt, Alicia Diaz, during Saturday's hot dog eating contest.

Below: K'lei Rogerson, 6, left, and Dahlia Guillory, 6, compete in a watermelon eating contest.



## Child Development Center

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — The Child Development Center offers the following events for its customers:

■ A parent advisory board meeting will be held from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Thursday in the center's training room.

■ A family enrichment class will be held July 6, 8, 13 and 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The class focuses on raising "healthy, responsible young adults."

■ KinderKamp slots still are available for kindergarten ages 5-6.

Call the Child Development Center at 366-1601 for more information.

## Talking with Teens

COMMANDER NAVAL FORCES, MARIANAS, Guam — The Fleet and Family Support Center is offering a July 14 class on talking with teens.

The class, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., will be held in Building 3.

Call 333-2056 for more information.

From staff reports

# Pentagon alerted to end of criminals in the military

## Report says recruiting standards, oversight lax

BY KEN SILVERSTEIN

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon was warned repeatedly going back a decade that it was accepting military recruits with criminal histories and was too lenient with those already in uniform who exhibited violent or other troubling behavior.

Six studies prepared over 10 years by an outside expert at the Pentagon's request found that too little was being done to discipline lawbreakers in uniform or even identify problem recruits.

A 1998 study estimated that one-third of military recruits had arrest records. A 1995 report found that one out of four Army career enlistees had committed one or more criminal offenses while on active duty. Yet many were allowed to reenlist or received promotional awards. Some received good-conduct medals or held top-secret security clearances, the research found.

The 1995 study cited the case of one soldier who was promoted to sergeant despite a record of behavior that included multiple assaults, drunk and disorderly conduct, property destruction and obstruction of justice. As recently as last year, only a month before some of the worst abuses of Iraqi detainees occurred at Abu Ghraib prison, one of the reports said some troops were in positions "where destructive acts could have the most serious consequences."

An immediate problem faced by Defense is that there are military personnel with pre-service and in-service records that clearly establish a pattern of "substandard behavior," the 2003 report said.

These individuals constitute a high-risk group for destructive behavior and need to be identified." The September 2003 study, titled "Reducing the Threat of Destructive Behavior in Military Personnel" and released to the Los Angeles Times with the Pentagon's permission, was written by Eli S. Berger, a former senior analyst at the Defense Department and a longtime Pentagon consultant.

It examined recruiting of active-duty troops and misconduct by uniformed personnel once they entered the armed forces. Military reservists undergo the same screening process as active-duty troops, Flyer said.

Although the Pentagon adopted some new procedures, they were not enough, Flyer's most recent report said. The military services have resisted improving screening procedures because that would increase attrition. "The 2003 report said, alluding to problems some services have had in recent years meeting recruit-

ment goals.

"Critically important, development of applicant screening procedures to identify individuals with behavior disorders has lagged, contributing to suitability problems and destructive acts occurring later during active duty," the report said.

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steps needed to be taken to reduce the "wide range of destructive acts committed by military personnel," including sabotage, sexual murder and rape. The Army recently announced that it had opened investigations into at least 91 cases of possible misconduct by U.S. military personnel in Iraq and Afghanistan. In addition to violent crimes committed against detainees, the charges include assaults and thefts committed against civilians.

"One would hope Defense is doing a thorough investigation of their backgrounds," Flyer said.

Flyer said Bill Carr, the Pentagon's acting deputy undersecretary for military personnel policy, requested last September's report. Carr was not available for an interview.

Curtis Gilroy, who oversees military recruiting as director of the Pentagon's office of accession policy, said the screening process for recruits was "pretty good" but acknowledged some shortcomings.

It is hard to "pick out all the bad apples," Gilroy said, "but we are striving to improve the system and are doing so — from recruiters to the military entrance processing stations to the initial training sites. We are taking steps to better screen and we will be more vigilant at all steps of the recruiting and accession process."

In an interview, Flyer said it was too early to know if the problems he found could have contributed to the situation at Abu Ghraib or to other misconduct cases that came to light in Iraq and Afghanistan, although at least two cases involved veterans with

checked backgrounds.

Cpl. Charles A. Graner Jr., an accused ringleader in the abuse of Iraqi detainees at Abu Ghraib, served in the Persian Gulf War in a Marine reserve unit. He re-enlisted in the Army in 2001, joining a reserve unit at a time when allegations of violent behavior had been made against him in two civil court proceedings. His wife alleged in divorce proceedings in 2000 that he beat her, and she obtained three "protection of abuse" orders against him, court records show.

An inmate at a state prison where Graner worked filed a lawsuit against him and other guards in 1999 for allegedly kicking and beating him, according to court records. Graner denied abusing the prisoner.

Graner was dismissed in 2000 when the man, who by then had been released from prison, failed to appear for allegedly kicking and beating him, according to court records.

Graner's attorney in Texas, Guy Womack, did not return phone calls seeking information.

David Passaro is accused of beating a detainee in Afghanistan so badly he was later sent to a U.S. military prison. Passaro joined the Army in 1992 and later became a Ranger, after he was fired from the Hartford, Conn., Police Department for allegedly kicking and beating an off-duty brawl, police and court records show.

At the time of the alleged incident in Afghanistan in 2003, Passaro was working as a civilian contractor for the CIA. The indictment against him charges that he beat an Afghan detainee, Abdul Wali, with his hands, feet and a large flashlight during interrogation June 19 and June 20, 2003. Wali died the next day.

Thomas McNamee, a North Carolina public defender who represents Passaro, did not return phone calls.

Flyer worked at the Pentagon for 28 years, retiring in 1979 as staff director for enlistment standards for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense. Since then, he has been hired by the Pentagon as an outside consultant to write dozens of reports.

His 1998 report estimated that about one-third of recruits had arrest records and many were not detected.

Potential recruits with a criminal record can enlist in the armed forces if they receive a moral character waiver. Flyer's 1998 report said that of the estimated 3.5 million recruits who entered the military service between 1978 and 1989, 300,000 had enlisted with a moral character waiver, most for a criminal arrest record.

The report said those enlisting with a moral character waiver are likely than others to get into criminal trouble or be discharged for bad behavior.

## Military says 'no can do'

A summer promotion by the Coca-Cola Co. has some military bases concerned that specially equipped cans containing a cell phone and GPS chip could be used to eavesdrop.

Inside the can  
GPS transponder and Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) card—but no soda



Source: Coca-Cola Co.

AP

# Coca-Cola contest raising concerns

## Military says cans are security issue

BY ELLEN SIMON

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — There's a new security threat at some of the nation's military bases — and it looks uncannily like a can of Coke.

Specially rigged Coke cans, part of a summer promotion, contain cell phones and global positioning chips. That has officials at some installations worried the cans could be used to eavesdrop, and they are instituting protective measures.

Coca-Cola Co. says such concerns are nothing but fizz. Mart Martin, a Coca-Cola spokesman, said no one would mistake one of the winning cans from the company's "Unexpected Summer" promotion for a regular Coke.

"The can is dramatically different looking," he said. The cans have a recessed panel on the outside and a big red button. "It's very clear that there's a cell phone device."

Winners activate it by pushing the button, which can only call Coke's prize center. Data from the GPS device can only be received by Coke's prize center. Prizes include cash, a home entertainment center and an SUV.

"It cannot be an eavesdropping device," he said.

Nonetheless, military bases, including the U.S. Army Armor Center at Fort Knox, Ky., are asking soldiers to examine their Coke cans before bringing them in to classified meetings.

"We're asking people to open the can and not bring it in if there's a GPS in it," said Master Sgt. Jerry Meredith, a Fort Knox spokesman. "It's not like we're examining cans at the store. It's a pretty common-sense thing."

Sue Murphy, a spokeswoman with Pitt-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, said personal electronic devices aren't permitted in some buildings and conference rooms on base.

"We've taken measures to make sure everyone's aware of

this contest and to make sure devices are cleared before they're taken in" to restricted areas, she said.

"In the remote possibility a can was found in one of these areas, we'd make sure the can wasn't activated, try to return it to its original owner and ask that they activate it at home," she said. "It's just another measure we have to take to keep everyone out here safe and secure."

The Marine Corps said its personnel had been advised of the cans and to keep them away from secure areas.

Paul Saffo, research director at The Institute for the Future, a technology research firm, compared the concern about the Coke cans to when the Central Intelligence Agency banned Pulpies, the stuffed toys that could repeat phrases.

"There's things generals should stay up late at night worrying about," he said. "A talking Coke can isn't one of them."

But Bruce Don, a senior analyst at RAND Corp, said the military's concern is rational and appropriate.

There's a lot of reason to worry about that tech company could be taken advantage of by a third party without Coke's knowledge," he said.

"I would be wary if one was in my refrigerator, but if you had a sensitive discussion or location, it's not inconceivable the thing could be used for something it was not designed for," he said.

Martin said Thursday the world's largest soft drink maker has received phone calls inquiring about the promotion from Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah, and from a military base in Anchorage, Alaska. The calls did not mention any concerns, and Coke has not been contacted by the bases in Ohio and Kentucky, Martin said.

Asked if Coke would curtail the promotional campaign because of the security issues, Martin said, "No. There's no reason to."



# Muslim Marine beheaded, militants claim

## U.S. military checking report

BY NADIA ABUL EL-MAGD  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — An Iraqi militant group claimed on a Web site Saturday that it had beheaded a captive U.S. Marine, in what would be the fourth decapitation of a foreign hostage in the region since May.

The group, called the Ansar al-Sunna Army, posted a written statement on an Islamic Web site claiming that it had killed Lebanese-born Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun.

It also said it had taken another hostage but did not give details.

"We would like to inform you that the Marine of Lebanese origin, Hassoun, has been slaughtered. You are going to see the video with your very eyes soon," said the statement, signed in the name of the group's leader, Abu Abdullah al-Hassan bin Mahmud.

The U.S. military in Baghdad said it was checking into the report of the 24-year-old Hassoun's death but had no confirmation for the moment.

It was not immediately possible to verify the authenticity of the group's statement.

The group called itself the Ansar al-Sunna Army in Qaim, a town on the Iraqi border with Syria that has seen frequent clashes between U.S. troops and militants. The message was dated June 20, the day the military said Hassoun was first reported missing, though the posting was dated Saturday.

"We will show a new video of the detention of a new infidel hostage and as recently promised, the beheading of rotten heads," the statement said.

"Withdraw your army and you will be safe," it said. "Or else we will keep doing what we are doing."

On June 27, the Arab television station Al-Jazeera broadcast a vid-



Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun, a U.S. Marine, is shown in a video broadcast June 27 by the Al-Jazeera television network after his capture by Islamic militants. The group claims beheading Hassoun on Saturday.

eo tape showing Hassoun blindfolded, along with a statement from militants threatening to kill him unless the United States releases all Iraqis in "occupation jails."

In that initial statement, the kidnappers identified themselves as "Islamic Response," the security wing of the "National Islamic Resistance — 1920 Revolution Brigades" referring to the uprising against the British after World War I.

Saturday's claim on Hassoun's death was issued on the same Islamic extremist Web forum where footage was posted last month showing the beheading of U.S. engineer Paul M. Johnson Jr. in Saudi Arabia. The site also often carries claims of attacks by Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian militant said to be operating in Iraq.

Al-Zarqawi's movement claimed responsibility for the beheading of Kim Sun-il, a South Korean who worked for a company

delivering supplies to American forces, and Nicholas Berg, an American businessman, whose body was found in Baghdad in May. Johnson's slaying was claimed by al-Qaida-linked militants in Saudi Arabia, and pictures of his severed head were posted on the Internet.

Another militant group in Iraq claimed last week that it had killed Spec. Keith M. Maupin, an American soldier who had been held captive since April. The military has not yet confirmed that Maupin was shown in grainy video footage of a man being shot in the back of the head.

In Saturday's statement, the militants said they used a woman to trap Hassoun. "As your soldier had a love affair with a young Arab woman, he has been lured from the base," the statement said.

The U.S. military said Hassoun had been absent without authorization since June 20, though after the video was shown it listed his status as "captured."

## Insurgents kill 7 Iraqi guards by setting off a roadside bomb

BY RAVI NESSMAN  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Insurgents set off a roadside bomb at an Iraqi checkpoint on Saturday, killing seven national guardsmen in the deadliest attack on Iraqi troops since the U.S. occupation authorities transferred power to a new Iraqi government five days ago.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Hoshiar Zebari said his country was in "a race against time" in dealing with insurgents, adding that Iraqi troops "are not ready" to deal with the challenges alone.

However, Zebari was lukewarm to Arab offers to send troops here, saying Iraq would consider accepting troops from non-neighboring countries that come under U.N. auspices.

About 160,000 foreign troops, mostly American, have stayed on after Monday's handover of sovereignty to the new interim government. At a summit last week in Istanbul, Turkey, NATO leaders offered military training to the new Iraqi government.

In recent days, Jordan said it would consider sending troops if asked, Bahrain offered to send naval forces and Yemen said it would join a U.N. mission, but only after U.S. troops leave Iraq.

"These countries can support United Nations operations and play a central and effective role," Zebari told a news conference.

Iraq, however, is concerned that allowing some neighboring countries, such as Syria, Turkey or Iran, to send troops would give them too much influence here.

"There is a general policy ... about neighboring countries participating in peacekeeping efforts. But these countries can support United Nations operations," Zebari said.

The U.S. Security Council authorized the multinational force to remain in Iraq on June 8 and also paved the way for other countries to join.

Iraq has been plagued by violence almost since the fall of Saddam Hussein 15 months ago, and insurgents launched a series of attacks Saturday. Though attacks briefly dipped in the days around the handover, they have picked up again in recent days.

Seven Iraqi national guardsmen were killed by a roadside bomb at a checkpoint early Saturday in Mahmudiya, 20 miles south of Baghdad. U.S. officials said the attack was the worst assault on Iraqi troops since the handover.

In the southern city of Basra, one British soldier was wounded and two military vehicles damaged when a roadside bomb exploded at 9:15 a.m., the British military said.

A U.S. Marine died Saturday of wounds suffered the day before during operations in Anbar province, a Sunni dominated area west of Baghdad that has been a hotbed of resistance, the military said.

The U.S. military gave no details of its operations in Anbar province or how the Marine was killed. The Marine was the fourth to die this month in Anbar.

A senior U.S. military official said Saturday that it would take "several weeks" for Iraqi forces to grow strong enough to take back responsibility for security in their country.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he was "unable to find a place where we've gone to total local control ... I'm not aware of any full city under the nation that we've been able to achieve that."

## New abuse allegations

KABUL, Afghanistan — U.S. military investigators are looking into another allegation of abuse in a network of secretive American jails where at least four prisoners have died, the Afghan state said Saturday.

Meanwhile, a rights group said that an Afghan man claimed he was burned and beaten so badly last year by Afghan militiamen guarding an American base that he needed surgery.

The U.S. military recently opened at least two new investigations after former Afghan prisoners said they were beaten and sexually abused.

U.S. military spokesman Maj. Jon Siepmann would not give details of the latest probe, including when or where the alleged abuse took place, or whether it involved any deaths and who was accused.

From The Associated Press

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# North Korea keeps up rhetoric

BY JOSEPH GIORDONO

Stars and Stripes

SEOUL—Temporarily deploying U.S. stealth fighters to South Korea? Prelude to war. Restarting the anthrax and smallpox vaccines for U.S. servicemembers on the peninsula? Prelude to war. Shipping off 3,600 2nd Infantry Division soldiers to Iraq or even permanently removing 12,500 U.S. servicemembers from South Korea? Definitely a prelude to war.

It's North Korea's ubiquitous reply to almost anything the U.S. military announces, and it's usually accompanied by florid and painstakingly over-the-top prose indicating the "warmongering aggressors."

The U.S. imperialists are now seeking to make a preemptive attack on the DPRK after listing it as a "terrorist sponsor" and part of the "axis of evil." They are now busy relocating the U.S. troops... south of Seoul as a military measure to round off the preparations for the second Korean War," trumpeted one recent, typical dispatch by a state-controlled North Korean newspaper.

"The U.S. intention to stifle the

DPRK by force is a day-dream," the article continued, using the acronym for the North's official name, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The U.S. attempt to mount an armed attack on the DPRK, seized by war hysteria, is little short of inviting a disaster. If the U.S. imperialists ignite another war in Korea, oblivious of the historical lesson, they will get nothing but a bitter defeat and death."

U.S. military analysts here say it's become almost a reassuring mantra from the North.

"It's funny, but we joke with one another that if we heard any different kind of response to what we were doing, we'd get worried," said one American intelligence analyst, who requested anonymity.

"It's kind of comforting in a way, if they keep saying the things you'd expect them to say. If someday they came out with a really nuanced, complex reaction to something we'd done, you'd probably hear all kinds of bells going off."

So, the analyst said, it's no problem to read rants such as this:

"If the U.S. ignited a war in Korea, it would not be beneficial

to the U.S. either. It is the temperament of the Korean People's Army and people never to beg for peace, though they do not want a war, and to show no mercy to the aggressors. Boundless is their might built up with matchless arms of Songun and there is no place out of the reach of its strikes."

The responses from North Korea have even been sparked by video games. Earlier this month, when a French gaming firm debuted a war-scenario game involving the United States, North Korea and China, the reaction was swift. "This may be just a game to them now," the Tongli newspaper reported, "but a war will not be a game for them later. In war, they will only face miserable defeat and gruesome deaths."

But the threats are not always joked away. U.S. intelligence estimates the North Koreans possess at least two nuclear weapons — at least two good reasons to the take the North seriously.

"You can laugh about it but at the end of the day, you have to remember that there's something very real behind all of this," the U.S. analyst said.

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Secretary of State Colin Powell performs "YMCA" at the conclusion of Asia's largest security meeting in Jakarta, Indonesia, on Friday.

## Village People get Colin-ized

The Associated Press

JAKARTA, Indonesia—Secretary of State Colin Powell donned a hard hat and tucked a hammer in his belt Friday, performing a version of the Village People's hit "YMCA" at the conclusion of Asia's largest security meeting.

Tradition dictates that the meeting wrap up with a night of song and dance, provided by the diplomats themselves.

In 1997 Madeleine Albright,

then secretary of state, bowed over the ministers when she performed a musical skit dressed as Evita Peron.

On Friday, Powell danced alongside five other U.S. officials sporting costumes that included an Indian headdress.

The group blasted out a version of the 1970s disco classic, to the delight of foreign ministers from across the Asia-Pacific and Europe attending the ASEAN Regional Forum.



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# Paper: Al-Qaida planned glider attack

By ESRA AYGIN  
The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Turkish authorities received a warning that al-Qaida was planning to use a bomb-laden glider in a suicide attack targeting world leaders at the NATO summit in Istanbul, the city's police chief was quoted as saying.

In a newspaper interview published Saturday, Istanbul police chief Cellalettin Cerrah said the intelligence came from foreign sources and described such a plot as far-fetched.

"To tell you the truth, we did not find it very realistic," Cerrah told the daily newspaper Hürriyet.

Still, the intelligence was immediately passed on to Turkey's military, which was responsible for ensuring the security of air

## Turkish officials were reportedly warned that NATO summit was target

space over the city during the summit, the police chief said.

A senior police official contacted by The Associated Press on Saturday confirmed Cerrah's statements on condition of anonymity.

According to a tip Cerrah said was received by Turkey's national intelligence service, a plot from unspecified foreign sources, Osama bin Laden's terrorist network was planning to use a bomb-laden glider to target a hotel in Istanbul where at least one NATO leader was staying during the June 28-29 summit.

The aircraft was supposed to take off from a neighboring country and approach the city by flying over the Black Sea, Cerrah said.

The police chief did not say in the interview which hotel was supposedly targeted. But the police official who spoke to the AP on Saturday said it was the hotel where President Bush was staying.

"They had chosen a glider because radar would not spot it," Cerrah told the newspaper. "And since it flies without an engine, it would approach the target in silence."

Bush, British Prime Minister Tony Blair, French President Jacques Chirac, and German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder were among the world leaders who attended the summit, which took place amid extremely tight security.

More than 23,000 police were mobilized,

F-16 warplanes patrolled the skies and AWACS early warning planes dispatched by NATO helped monitor a no-fly zone over Istanbul.

Police spokesman Ramadan Er revealed Friday that authorities found and defused explosives in a garage at Istanbul's airport only hours before the arrival of Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

Another police official said a small Marxist group was believed to have been involved. The group, MLKP-FESK, claimed responsibility for a small blast last week in Ankara outside the hotel where Bush had been scheduled to stay.

Four suicide truck bombings blamed on a Turkish al-Qaida cell killed more than 60 people in Istanbul last year.

# Tropical storm leaves at least 37 dead in Asia

The Associated Press

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Tropical storm Mindulle pushed toward South Korea on Saturday after killing at least 37 people in the Philippines and Taiwan, officials said. Thirteen others were missing and feared dead.

In Taiwan, the death toll rose to six, as flooding continued to disrupt traffic four days after Mindulle first struck the island of 23 million people off southeastern China.

Taiwan's Council of Agriculture estimated damage to crops and infrastructure at \$15.65 million, much of it from devastation of fruit farms. The storm also killed 3,000 poultry.

Mindulle — the Korean word for dandelion — moved more than 190 miles north of Taiwan on Saturday, heading for South Korea, but central parts of the island were still coping with flooding, landslides, and swept-away bridges.

In the Philippines, Mindulle killed at least 31 people, while 11 others were missing and feared dead, officials said Saturday.

At least 3,500 people were forced to flee to evacuation centers or to relatives' homes to escape rising floodwaters.

The storm destroyed more than \$11.7 million worth of crops and livestock in the Philippines, and \$7.94 million in infrastructure, disaster officials said.

On Saturday, a bulldozer driver was swept by his death from his vehicle by rising water in central Taiwan's Nantou region, police said.

A man was killed by falling rocks as he went to a store in southern Taiwan's Chiayi region, and an elderly woman drowned in the central region of Taichung.

In the same area, two people were missing after floodwaters swept them away, police said.

Three people were killed earlier. Train traffic was gradually returning to normal Saturday, after rail service had been suspended in some areas Thursday and Friday.

The Central Weather Bureau said the rains would last at least until Tuesday, and warned more landslides were likely.



Protesters hold banners that read from left: "Improve people's livelihood," "Fight for democracy," "Defend freedom" and "Return power to the people" as hundreds of thousands of Hong Kong residents took part in a huge, peaceful pro-democracy rally on Thursday.

## Hong Kong rally fails to yield political reform

By MIN LEE

The Associated Press

HONG KONG — A giant pro-democracy march in Hong Kong will not convince China to reverse its decision ruling out the direct election of the territory's next leader, an official said Saturday.

Many in Hong Kong had held out hope that the peaceful pro-democracy rally Thursday would lead Beijing to change its mind and move more swiftly on political reforms. Organizers said 530,000 people turned out, while police put the figure at 200,000.

But the mainland official, Li Gang, said China's top legislative body had made its position clear when it said in April that the territory's people cannot democratically choose the successor to Chief Executive Tung Chee-hwa in 2007 or all lawmakers in 2008.

"The National People's Congress had made a final decision," said Li, deputy head of Beijing's liaison office in Hong Kong. "As the top judicial authority, its

decisions cannot be changed, so to try to attempt something that's impossible is irrational."

One of the organizers of Thursday's march, Roman Catholic activist Jackie Hung, criticized Li's comments and called on China to pay attention to what Hong Kong people are saying.

"We can't just accept whatever framework China sets for us," Hung said. "The Chinese government has a responsibility to listen to Hong Kong people's views."

"To attempt the impossible is the greatest kind of moral courage," Hung said.

Former British colony Hong Kong has enjoyed Western-style civil liberties since its handover to Chinese rule in 1997, but only limited democracy. One non-governmental organization, the Asian Human Rights Commission, has warned of trouble ahead.

Voters will choose 30 of 60 lawmakers in September elections, with the remaining seats to be filled by special interest groups such as business executives, doctors and bankers.

## Navy awaits Bahrain evacuation order

The Associated Press

MANAMA, Bahrain — Terrorist jitters in Bahrain led to the cancellation of Fourth of July celebrations and the U.S. Navy is awaiting a "formal order" to evacuate families of servicemen and non-essential personnel from this tiny Gulf island state.

The measures follow a U.S. State Department advisory on Thursday cautioning Americans against traveling to Bahrain, a close American ally and home of the U.S. 5th Fleet, and advising those who live there to leave.

The warning did not elaborate on the reported threats except to say terrorists were at large and the information was credible.

On Friday, the Pentagon said it is withdrawing servicemen's families and nonessential personnel from Bahrain for at least 30 days in response to intelligence on planned terrorist attacks.

"We are still waiting for a formal order to execute the departure," said Cmdr. James Graybeal, spokesman of the Bahrain-based 5th Fleet.

Graybeal said about 350 families of U.S. military personnel live in Bahrain. The Pentagon has said they will be taken to unspecified locations in the continental United States and not be allowed to return to Bahrain until the mandatory withdrawal order is terminated.

"We take force protection very seriously and we are constantly doing things to make sure service member and families are protected," Graybeal said without elaborating.

Citing security reasons, the U.S. Embassy said in a news release faxed to The Associated Press on Saturday that it has canceled a Fourth of July reception that was scheduled to take place at a hotel in the Bahraini capital, Manama.

The Associated Press

SHANGHAI, China — Chinese authorities plan to employ new technology to improve surveillance of mobile phone messages amid efforts to intensify the policing of private communications, reports said Friday.

The official Xinhua News Agency

said the campaign was aimed at cleaning up "pornographic, obscene and fraudulent" phone messages that have "infiltrated short messaging content."

According to the Paris-based group Reporters Without Borders, the surveillance also is aimed at extending surveillance of political dissent to mobile

phone messaging — known as short-message service, or SMS.

Beijing already screens e-mail, censures online chatrooms and blocks access to foreign Web sites considered subversive.

But SMS is a newer technology and the government has struggled to develop ways to control it.



## IN THE STATES

## Six killed in rampage at Kansas plant

BY HEATHER HOLLINGSWORTH

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Elijah Brown's co-workers always had a hard time making sense of him. He paced, he talked to himself, he got bothered over teasing that wouldn't face other people.

Questions about the 21-year-old meatpacking plant worker grew exponentially Saturday, after he used two handguns to shoot seven co-workers, killing five of them, before killing himself.

Police did not offer a motive for Friday's 10-minute rampage, but said there appeared to be nothing random about the killings at the Kansas City, Kan., ConAgra Foods Inc. plant. They said he passed by some co-workers, telling them, "You haven't done anything to me, so you can go."

"This person acted with purpose, he knew exactly what he was doing," Police Chief Ron Miller said.

Three of those killed were members of an extended family, and a relative said Brown had had an argument with one of them.

Louise Ellingburg, 46, was uncle by marriage to Travis Nelson, 23, both of Kansas City, Kan., and nephew to Ardell L. Edwards, 55, of Grandview, Mo., relatives said.

"We've got to get ready for a triple funeral — my daddy, my uncle, my cousin," said Ellingburg's daughter Deya Barnett. "A triple funeral, we have to get ready for. It don't make no sense. We just need time."

Miller said Brown also shot and killed Leonardo Rodriguez, 49, of Kansas City, Kan.; and a 45-year-old Mexican national whose name was not released pending notification of his family. Four victims died at the plant, and Edwards died hours later at a hospital.

Ellingburg's brother-in-law, David Pledger, of Kansas City, Kan., said there had been a "tiff" between Travis Nelson and Brown. He speculated that the other two victims were "probably just in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Brown, of Kansas City, Kan., had no criminal record, but co-workers described him as strange. He was often teased at



AP photos

Families and media wait for information outside a meatpacking plant in Kansas City, Kan., on Friday. A worker at the ConAgra plant killed five people during a Friday shooting spree before he killed himself.

work, but not for anything in particular, said Kain Peterson, a plant worker.

Plant worker Andre Porter, an acquaintance of Brown who sometimes offered him rides to and from work, chatted casually with Brown in the locker room before the shooting started. Porter now thinks Brown had gone there to retrieve his guns.

A short time later, Porter heard popping noises in the hallway and saw Brown approaching him.

"I said, 'Elijah, what are you doing popping off firecrackers,'" Porter said. Brown took off running, and Porter said he found Nelson's body covered in blood in the hallway a short time later. The rest of the victims were shot in the plant break room.



A "no firearms" sign hangs on a light pole outside a meatpacking plant where fatal shootings occurred on Friday.

Brown had been laid off from the plant, but returned to work a few months ago, ConAgra spokeswoman Julie DeYoung said.

## Cornerstone to be set, but future still in doubt

BY AMY WESTFELDT

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — To the rebuilders of the World Trade Center site, the 20-ton hunk of granite that will mark the foundation of a 1,776-foot skyscraper Sunday represents promise and progress.

An inscribed cornerstone at the southeastern corner of the Freedom Tower's foundation will begin a construction project that officials say will help the city reclaim its skyline, nearly three years after losing the twin towers in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

But the future of the 16-acre site isn't exactly set in stone.

Details in the design of the \$1.5 billion Freedom Tower, announced last year as a compromise between feuding architects, are still changing, said lead architect David Childs.

"It's such a complicated building and it demands so much because it's got to be the best," Childs said. Among the elements subject to change, he said, are the crisscrossing cables up and down the side of the building and the positioning of cables leading to the spire topping the skyscraper.

Trade center leaseholder Larry Silverstein still has 70-story anchor tenant for the tower and a recent trial over insurance proceeds limited how much he can collect, prompting some to question whether all five



AP

The proposed Freedom Tower, center, is planned for the site of New York's former World Trade Center. During ceremonies on Sunday, an inscribed cornerstone for the tower was to be laid.

proposed office towers on the site will be built.

Despite the uncertainty, Sunday's ceremony is "an incredible step for the rebuilding of ground zero," said Daniel Libeskind, the designer who conceived the site's original master plan.

Construction officially was to begin Sunday on the Freedom Tower; at 1,776 feet, a height meant to symbolize America's independence, no skyscraper in the world will be taller.

## Need \$14M? Try a lemonade stand

BY DEBBIE HUMMEL

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A Boy Scout group tried to put a dent in a potential \$14 million judgment Friday by selling lemonade — at \$250 a glass.

The federal and state governments earlier this week sued the Irving, Texas-based Boy Scouts of America to recover costs of the 2002 East Fork fire, allegedly started by Utah Scouts.

"C'mon, we need your help!" shouted one Scout to cars whizzing past during morning rush hour.

Troop 347 of Fruit Heights, a suburb north of Salt Lake City, was not involved in the campout two years ago that officials say precipitated the fire — a fact that the boys pointed out to potential donors — but they still wanted to help their fellow Scouts.

The 12- and 13-year-olds spent two hours hawking lemonade to build up a fund in case the Boy Scouts lose the lawsuit.

But \$14 million is a lot of lemonade, so prices

were inflated a bit. A sip cost \$1, a small glass \$3 and, for \$250, folks could get a large — about 16 ounces.

"If only one person in 40 in the entire state of Utah buys a large, it's over," said Scott Fisher, a morning radio disc jockey who helped organize the fund-raising event.

Salt Lake City attorney Paul Gotay handed the Scouts a \$10 bill for "just a little bit" of lemonade.

Gotay, a criminal defense attorney, said he heard about the stunt on the radio and wanted to come by to support the boys.

"What's more important? Teaching them what they did was wrong by showing them that there's no forgiveness for something they did unintentionally?" he asked. "That's not how the system should work."

They needed more donors like Gotay. After two hours, they had netted only \$66.43.

"It's just the beginning," Fisher said, calculating that with 210,000 similarly lucrative lemonade sales, the \$14 million would be raised.

## Wavewatch knows when surf's up

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A pleasant September day five years ago suddenly turned tragic when a huge wave loomed out of the ocean and swept two people to their deaths at Acadia National Park in Maine.

The culprit, some 1,000 miles away, was Hurricane Gert.

With hurricane season now under way, forecasters hope prevent similar deaths by issuing severe-wave and tide warnings using a prediction system called Wavewatch III.

"What many people may not realize is that, if a major hurricane is striking the Caribbean, it can also result in dangerous waves and surf conditions in the Gulf of Mexico and up the East Coast as

far north as Long Island and Cape Cod," said Hendrik Tolman of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Environmental Modeling Center.

Wavewatch III is what is called a suite of forecast models.

That means reports of weather and ocean conditions worldwide are fed into giant computers that use a complex series of mathematical formulas to calculate how conditions will change over time.

The overall worldwide model, continually updated, looks 180 hours into the future, and the more localized model concentrating on the tropical Atlantic anticipates conditions 72 hours ahead, Joseph Stenkiewicz of NOAA's Ocean Prediction Center explained.

## VP decision online

CLOQUET, Minn. — Democrat John Kerry plans to announce his vice presidential running mate in an e-mail to the 1 million subscribers to his campaign Web site.

But he didn't say when.

Kerry is expected to make the announcement before the July 26-29 Democratic National Convention. Typically, a presidential candidate announces a running mate at a carefully crafted campaign event.

"The folks who are going to learn first about my choice are going to be the people on JohnKerry.com," Kerry said. North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt, Florida Sen. Bob Graham and Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack have been mentioned as possible running mates.

From The Associated Press



# Your turn, guys!

## New videos have guys going wild for cameras

BY CHRISTY LEMIRE

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Harvey Keitel has done it. Ewan McGregor has done it at least four times. Now all red-blooded American males can drop trou for the cameras.

Introducing "Guys Gone Wild," an all-male version of the "Girls Gone Wild" video series, which promises "the hottest, wildest, most beautiful real co-eds," stripping for the cameras during spring break and doing things they'd never do back home.

"Girls Gone Wild" has been around about seven years, and every person who's been involved with it on many different levels has been asked once or multiple times, what about a "Guys Gone Wild?" said Bill Horn, spokesman for Mantra Entertainment, which produces the videos.

Starting July 13, three titles will be available on DVD and video through a Web site and an 800 number: "Guys Gone Wild," "Guys Gone Wild: Spring Break" and "Guys Gone Wild: Frat Boys."

The stars are young, good-looking guys who aren't shy about taking it all off and letting it all hang out. They gyrate like strippers, do push-ups and, in one memorable scene, bounce up and down on their hotel room beds while tossing a football back and forth.

Hike! Yikes! So who exactly would shell out \$19.99 to see this? "Based on the reactions I've gotten, college-age guys, maybe older," Horn said. "I think it's going to be a big gag gift, backhoe-kind of gift."

But Horn also expects the videos will to appeal to gay men.

"There's a certain amount of gay women who purchase 'Girls Gone Wild,'" he said.

The big difference between the male and female versions, though, is the absence of kissing. Much of the allure of the "Girls Gone Wild" series, with titles such as "Girls Who Like Girls" and "Mardi Gras Co-eds," is the fantasy it dangles before its viewers — the possibility that the wholesome girl next door could, tear off her T-shirt and make out with one of her sorority sisters.

"Let's face it — there's a double standard when it comes to guy-on-guy as opposed to girl-on-girl," Horn said. "It's sexy to see two girls making out. It's not considered sexy to see two guys making out. That's just the reality and we were there to capture the reality."

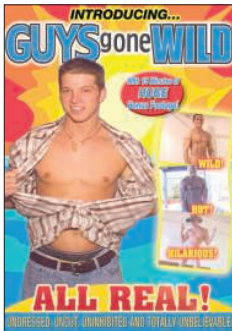
Misty Nicole, a 24-year-old aspiring actress, did just that as a member of the all-female "Guys Gone Wild" production crew. At sunny destinations including Cancun, Mexico, and South Padre Island, Texas, Nicole scoured the parties and sweet-talked the guys into appearing in front of her video camera.

"I look for cute guys," she said Thursday. "I go up to them and I go, 'Hey, you're cute. How crazy and wild are you?' They'd be like, 'I'm pretty wild.'"

From there, getting them to take off their shirts and yell "Guys Gone Wild" is pretty easy, she said — but about half the time, it requires a little coaxing to get them to go further.

"Some of them, they just need reassurance," she said. "They just gotta talk to you a minute."

"Sometimes they get out of control," Nicole said. "Sometimes they try to get my camera



The producers of "Guys Gone Wild" have been listening to requests for equal coverage. Their response: "Guys Gone Wild," an all-male version of the "Girls Gone Wild" series.

and pull me into the shot. I have to deal with about five or 10 minutes of, 'What are you going to do for me? I'll show you mine if you show me yours.'"

But sometimes, Nicole found, there's a hang-over of regret once the party's over.

"There are a few people who come up to me the next day or later that night and say, 'You know what? I'd really prefer that you not use that. My dad is the governor of blah-blah-blah.' Or 'I'm planning on going into politics.' Or 'I'm going into the Army.' I said, 'I lost some really good footage, but I can't do that to them.'"

### Mega Millionaire

ATLANTA — A single winning ticket in a \$290 million multistate lottery drawing was sold in Massachusetts, officials said.

The ticket for the Mega Millions lottery was sold at Powers Wine Co. in Lowell, 30 miles north of Boston, said Mary Driscoll, a supervisor in the Massachusetts state lottery's computer room. Store manager Ray Patel said he got the news Saturday morning in a call from lottery officials.

"Oh, man. I'm too excited for this," Patel said. "I can't believe it, at first."

He said he didn't know the winner's identity.

The jackpot had gotten so high that many people said they couldn't afford not to try. Other states that participate in the lottery are Georgia, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Texas, Virginia and Washington.

"People who never play are playing now," said Karen Cooley as she waited in line to buy 10 Mega Millions tickets at a store in downtown Atlanta. "I believe I'm going to hit it."

The \$290 million is the highest Mega Millions prize in the game's history, exceeding the previous high of \$239 million in February.

From The Associated Press



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# Marlon Brando: The epitome of rebellion

By STEPHEN HUNTER

The Washington Post

In 1954, a babe had a question for Johnny Strabler, who leans next to his gleaming in a pathetic small town in the middle of nowhere.

"Johnny, what are you rebelling against?"

Johnny doesn't even have to think. Every line in his body expresses the answer, as does the contemptuous power of the machine.

He replies, "Whatta ya got?"

Meaning: Everything. Always. Forever. And: Even himself.

That was Marlon Brando the actor in "The Wild One," a pretty bad movie that became a cultural touchstone. And that was Marlon Brando the man, who was a great artist and a great pain in the butt. He rode his technique to the heights but never seemed to enjoy the view from up there.

On Thursday, death finally found Brando at 80, and he went to it sublimely, having had much experience with the ends of things: He had murdered his own career years earlier.

But in the beginning, was he something.

Brando exploded on the American theatrical consciousness in 1947, in Elia Kazan's Broadway production of Tennessee Williams' emotionally incendiary "A Streetcar Named Desire." Brando played the brooding Stanley Kowalski, his face bulging out of a tight white T-shirt, his hair matted with sweat, his face aglow with intensity; nobody had ever seen anything like it. He transferred intact that creation to the screen in 1951, and the American filmgoing public took notice in a big way.

It's not that he was the first movie star to look "different." In truth, he didn't look that much different, with his aquiline nose and broad forehead. Others before had been much less conventional in appeal. Bogart was no Johnny Pretty, nor was Edward G. Robinson or Victor Mature.



But Brando had something even those formidable precursors lacked and the camera worshipped: the sense of working from the inside out, not the outside in. It meant that to project an emotion, one first had to generate that emotion within. Performance wasn't a parlor trick, an imposition of ticks and twinks. It was something more primal, real, powerful. It had to come from the dark, fetid psychic jungle two inches behind the eyes to register.

After the film version of "Streetcar," Brando became something more complicated than a great actor: a star. Still, he never forgot the emotional fragility of his childhood, as the son of a drunken, abusive salesman and a delicate, artistic actress.

But at the same time, he never went back to the rigors of the stage, the pressures of live performance. That was a peculiar pattern, possibly even classic passive-aggression, in which he tried to destroy by extending only halfhearted cooperation after his name was on the dotted line.

The irony, of course, is that he founded a new style of movie stardom: rebellious, beyond narcissism, almost counter-cultural. He established a model of behavior that other actors, from Jack Nicholson to Robert De Niro to Johnny Depp to Sean Penn, would emulate.

There is another, deeper irony in Brando's career: His whole act was founded on telling the emotional truth, yet he was insanely



**Above: A single rose appears on the star of actor Marlon Brando along Hollywood's Walk of Fame on Friday in Los Angeles. Brando, who revolutionized American acting with his Method performances in "A Streetcar Named Desire" and went on to create the iconic character of Don Vito Corleone in "The Godfather," died Thursday. Left: Brando accepts an Oscar in 1955 for his part in "On the Waterfront." Right: Brando addresses an audience at an event in 2001.**

jealous of his private life. He would use his inner life for his work, but he would live in something close to solitude.

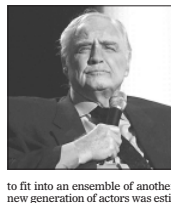
He was born in Omaha but soon moved to Illinois, and then was sent to a military academy in Minnesota. Before he dropped out he was introduced to acting, and went immediately to New York and started to study at the New School for Social Research, where Adler taught a technique expressed succinctly in the famous phrase "Don't act. Behave."

He behaved his way to stardom, but within a decade, he started behaving badly. He made a series of artistically ambitious successes in the immediate aftermath of his breakthrough, such as "Viva Zapata!" and "Julius Caesar," and then, after slumming "The Wild One," the great "On the Waterfront," as well as lighter fare, such as "Guys and Dolls."

Perhaps it was the anger he felt in 1961 when his first project as a director, the out-of-control six-hour western "One-Eyed Jacks," was taken from him and recut, but for the next 10 years his work became stranger and stranger



AP photos



to fit into an ensemble of another new generation of actors was estimable.

From that triumph — his second Oscar, and we don't need to mention that he sent a super-numerary to turn it down in the name of American Indians — he made his last great film, "Last Tango in Paris," in which he drew on his own complex childhood memories and sexual experiences.

Afterward, the deluge of druck. It's not that he was washed up; he washed himself up, at only 48. "The Missouri Breaks," in a dress, Joe-Eli in "Superman," "The Island of Dr. Moreau."

In his private life, more chaos and destruction: three marriages, possibly as many as a dozen illegitimate children; extreme difficulty with his own acknowledged children; a morbid obesity problem; a refusal to work, communicate or try.

No one can see inside these people. It's pointless to try. But one of his great lines echoes tragically now that he's gone: "I could be a contender. I could be someone," he rages in "On the Waterfront." That was a performance. In life he had been somebody, he'd been a champion. But then he walked away and wouldn't play anymore. He probably thought he was saving his own life, and possibly he was.

## Studios considering new anti-piracy device to protect films up for awards

By GARY GENTILE

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The organization behind the Academy Awards is considering new technology to prevent a sequel to last year's embarrassing attempt to protect films by withholding them from Oscar voters.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has endorsed a plan to distribute about 600 special DVD players to members.

Encrypted discs, known as screeners, have been earmarked for a specific academy voter and would play only on that person's machine.

"It certainly looked foolproof to us," said academy President Frank Pierson.

The player also would imprint an invisible watermark on the disc each time it is viewed. In addition, if someone uses a camcorder to tape the movie as it is playing, that image would contain information on the person assigned the machine.

Several studios said they were considering participating in the effort, but no studio has made a formal commitment.

Similar watermarking technology used last year on lower-quality videocassettes helped authorities track and convict an Illinois man who had obtained screeners from an academy member and duplicated hundreds of illegal copies for sale.

The success of that effort led

Cinea Inc., a division of Dolby Laboratories, to approach the academy about a combination of encryption and watermarking so studios could once again distribute screeners on DVDs.

The Motion Picture Association of America, which represents studios, last year banned the distribution of screener DVDs and videotapes over concerns about bootlegging. Many of the screener copies are of films that are in movie theaters or are still unreleased.

Cinea executives said that with enough time and money, a hacker could eventually circumvent the encryption technology hardwired in a single DVD player, but the watermarking will help authorities track down that player.

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## In Search of a hit

Pharrell Williams has produced chart-toppers for everyone ... except his own band

BY DAVID SEGAL

The Washington Post

SUN VALLEY, Calif. — Pharrell Williams is in love.

Maybe he won't last a lifetime or even a few years or, for that matter, the next five minutes. But at the moment, the man is smitten, and he'd like the world to know it. At minimum, he'd like the Latino babe in the clingy gray sweat pants to know it, since she's the one he's in love with.

"Sweet pants," he sighs, massaging a few sentimental chords on a white piano. "I see you, you're looking good in those ... sweat pants."

Williams is making it up as he goes along, killing time on a sound stage with the two other members of his band, N.E.R.D. The trio is here to film its latest video, an R&B heartthrobber called "Maybe."

With luck, "Maybe" will turn up soon and often on MTV's "Total Request Live," which just might perk up the tepid sales of N.E.R.D.'s second album, "Fly or Die." So far, the band has yet to launch a truly monster hit single, which is odd because launching monster hit singles is what Pharrell Williams does, it seems, in his sleep.

As one-half of a production duo known as the Neptunes — the other half is N.E.R.D. band mate Chad Hugo — Williams has programmed the beats and/or written songs for Nelly, Britney Spears, Jay-Z, Janet Jackson, Justin Timberlake and Usher, to name a few. Rock acts such as No Doubt, Garbage and Marilyn Manson have hired the Neptunes, too.

Hip-hop charts have rarely been Neptunes-free in the last few years.

In February, the pair pocketed the Grammy for producers of the year. Now Williams seeks mega-band status for N.E.R.D., a feat that would make him and Hugo the rarest of pop creatures: sought-after producers with a side project that sells.

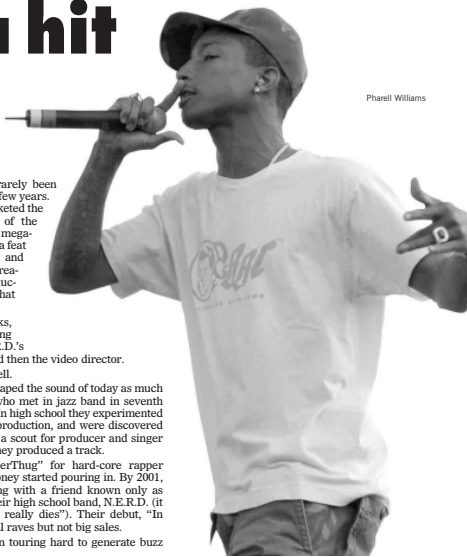
When the filming breaks, Williams, 31, is huddling with a team from N.E.R.D.'s label, Virgin Records, and then the video director.

Everyone wants Pharrell.

Few producers have shaped the sound of today as much as Williams and Hugo, who met in jazz band in seventh grade in Virginia Beach. In high school they experimented with samplers and beat production, and were discovered in a 1992 talent show by a scout for producer and singer Teddy Riley, for whom they produced a track.

After producing "SuperThug" for hard-core rapper Noreaga, the jobs and money started pouring in. By 2001, Williams and Hugo, along with a friend known only as Shay, had resurrected their high school band, N.E.R.D. (it stands for "nobody ever really dies"). Their debut, "In Search of ...," drew critical raves but not big sales.

Now N.E.R.D. has been touring hard to generate buzz for "Fly or Die."



Pharrell Williams

## End of road for Estefan

It's a wrap for Gloria Estefan's days on the road.

"Although I will continue writing and recording and doing everything else that comes with this incredible way of life, this next tour will be my last," the 46-year-old singer says in a post-

ing on her Web site.

Estefan will begin her Live and Re-Wrapped tour July 30 in Texas. The tour will conclude Sept. 25 in Miami, where Estefan lives with her husband-producer, Emilio.

While Estefan will no longer take to the stage, she assured fans that creating songs in the studio

"never ceases to be a magical process for me."

## Ruck's alive and dancing

More than two years ago, doctors told Alan Ruck, who played Cameron in the 1986 film "Ferris Bueller's Day Off," that he was about to die.

Now, he's singing and dancing eight times a week in the role of Leopold Bloom in the touring company of "The Producers," now playing at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C.



Ruck

Bloom is the role made famous on Broadway by Ruck's "Ferris Bueller" buddy, Matthew Broderick.

Diagnosed with a strep infection in December 2001, Ruck said his doctors didn't think he'd survive.

"For the first two days (the doctors) said, 'We don't know if he's going to make it.' And then after that they said, 'Well, we think he's going to make it, but we don't know if he's going to have all his marbles,'" the 48-year-old actor said.

Ruck emerged intact — and with all his marbles — and for that, he knows he's fortunate. "I was lucky I have come out of it relatively unscathed. And I'm singing and dancing!"

## Goo Goo Dolls Day

It may be Independence Day to you, but July 4th is officially Goo Goo Dolls Day in Buffalo, N.Y.

The group has a city proclamation to prove it.

Johnny Rzeznik and Robbie Takac can pick up the honor when they close out the Uncle Sam's Jam 2004 weekend music festival, which also features fellow Buffalo-born artist Ani DiFranco.

The July 4th free outdoor concert will be filmed for a music DVD to be released by the Goo Goo Dolls in the winter. Film crews will be in the city all weekend, chronicling the journey home for the band whose hits include "Name" and "Iris."

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# Ex-conjoined twins go home early

BY EMILY FREDRIX  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Thirteen days after they were separated, formerly conjoined twins Erin and Jade Buckles were released from the hospital Friday — several weeks earlier than expected.

The 4-month-old girls headed home to Woodbridge, Va., from Children's National Medical Center, where they were separated June 19.

"We'll disconnect the phone, disconnect the doorbell and just enjoy our family for a few days," said their father, Kevin Buckles,

at a news conference shortly before the family left the hospital.

Buckles, a gunnery sergeant in the Marine Corps, said he had hoped they would be home for the Fourth of July but didn't expect the girls to be released so soon after surgery. Lead surgeon Gary Hartman had estimated the girls would remain in the hospital for at least a few weeks.

But they healed so swiftly that they did not need to stay, he said. On Thursday, the girls took all of their food through their mouths for the first time, which showed they could be released from the hospital, Hartman said.

Doctors will meet with the family and the girls Tuesday at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., where the twins were born Feb. 26, about six weeks early.

The identical twins had been joined from their chests to their abdomens. They shared a liver, and one baby's heart rested horizontally, protruding into the other girl's chest cavity. Surgery to separate them took six hours.

They had been in critical but stable condition at the hospital following surgery and were taken out of ventilators after three or four days. They recovered in separate ICU units. They will sleep in the same crib at home.



Dr. Gary Hartman, right, talks to reporters at Children's National Medical Center in Washington on Friday as formerly conjoined twins Jade Buckles, being held by her mother, Melissa, and Erin Buckles, being held by her father, Kevin Buckles, prepare to leave the hospital. The twins were separated June 19.

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## No liberal bias in media

The writer of the July 1 letter "Balance makes Fox different" repeats a myth—that of the "liberal news media"—as part of his argument that Fox News can be trusted.

There is no liberal bias in the U.S. media, particularly the light news outlets cited, CBS, PBS (not actually a news or broadcasting outlet, rather, it funds programs) and NBC.

Fox claims that there is a liberal bias, but like so much else on Fox News, that is not true. Fox is right-wing, unapologetically so, to the extent that the talking Fox heads just make "facts" up. The other media, including those funded in small part by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, are decidedly right-of-center on political and economic issues. Only on social issues are the networks anywhere close to center, sometimes straying into blue territory.

And for the stories that Fox covers that the other networks seem to miss, well, Fox certainly does seem fascinated with O.J. Simpson (still), Michael Jackson (still) and Los Angeles police chases. Those stories are not "news," but are tabloid journalism, aka entertainment.

I do, however, agree that Fox News can be trusted—trusted to misrepresent, dis-

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tort and outright fabricate. The truth about bias in U.S. news media is out there, you will just find it on Fox. Don't trust me just because I write, do your own research.

Capt. Charles Clark  
Camp Arifjan, Kuwait

## Provide for GIs' families

I'm an Air Force brat and was an Air Force wife. I have a son in the Air Force. There has always been a difference between the way an Air Force man and his family are treated and the way an Army man and family are treated. This has been a subject of discussion on more than one occasion in my home.

These men and women are putting their lives on the line every day and we can't give them the basic comforts because it's too difficult to figure out how to do it? These fighting men and women don't want or need the Taj Mahal, but adequate nutritious food and more-hospitable sleeping and living conditions are a necessity to the morale of young people far from home living a life of stress that few of us will ever know.

Some of their families are on welfare now because of their prolonged presence in the Middle East. No one serving in this war or any war should have to worry about his or her family not having enough money to survive in the richest country in the world while they are fighting that country's war. And I can see no excuse for our military men, regardless of the branch of service, to be denied basic comforts such as adequate food, lodging and recreation.

Patricia Beech  
Flower Meadows, Texas

## Key player out of teen-pregnancy talks

BY SUSAN REIMER  
The Baltimore Sun

It takes two to get a teenage girl pregnant, yet most health and public-policy focuses on her.

The theory is that if she can be motivated to delay sexual activity or to protect herself with birth control, the problem of teen pregnancy will disappear.

The biology is correct, but the policy isn't. Especially when the evidence shows that boys feel more pressure to have sex than girls, are less protected by parents, become sexually active earlier, report more embarrassment about being known as a virgin, have sex more often, have more partners, and are notoriously poor users of the health-care delivery system.

The focus on teen girls has meant that teen boys have been left out of reproductive health-care conversation.

"We always look at the girls," said Brownlayn Mayden, executive director of Campaign for Our Children, the Baltimore-based teen-pregnancy-prevention initiative. "We don't talk to young men. We need to understand them from the point of view of boys."

To jump-start the process, CPOC recently brought together a panel of men and women who understand teenage boys as well as anybody can to address the health-care and juvenile-services workers who are closest to teens.

"I don't know why we waited so long,"

said Freya Sonenstein, a professor of population and family-health science at Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health.

"The focus on the female ignores the power dynamic," she said. A girl's first sexual partner is often older, often with more money, and can be determinately persuasive, she said.

It will not be easy to bring teen boys and young adult men into this conversation. For too long we have assumed that they are so hard to reach that it is impossible to change their behavior.

"Engaging young men is not a lost cause," Sonenstein said. "Their behavior can change, and it has."

She pointed to a 10-year increase in the use of condoms among sexually active teens and asked, "Who is the one putting on the condom?"

Sexual and reproductive health is not just a female issue, although women endure the greatest consequences: pregnancy and STDs that silently ravage them.

But to reach teen boys and young men, you have to understand what they are dealing with, especially when growth spurts make some or many of them look like grown men while others look like smooth-cheeked baby boys.

Whatever he looks like on the outside, his brain follows an orderly developmental pattern that allows for no skipped steps, no fast forward, according to Dr. Robert L.

Johnson, director of adolescent and young-adult medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and a respected expert in adolescent health and development.

Johnson explained that until he is 16 or 17, a boy's brain has not developed enough to comprehend how today's decision will affect his future. No matter what his life experience has been to that point, he is simply not able to see the future benefit of delaying sexual activity or wearing a condom.

The good news is, condom use—the simplest and most accessible method of preventing pregnancy and disease—continues to rise among both teen boys and girls, but particularly among black teen males.

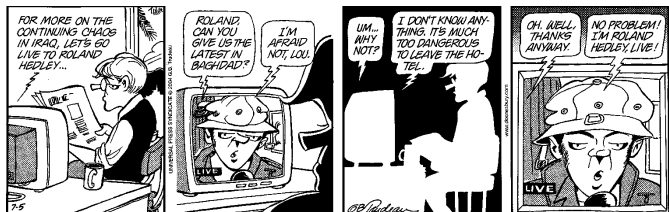
The reason? Johnson believes it is because the adults in the lives of teenagers, including their parents, are more aware of the benefits of using condoms, are more comfortable talking to teens about their use and are more likely to provide them to teenagers.

This conclusion was confirmed during a teen panel discussion when three of four young men said they not only used a condom during their last sexual encounter, they provided it. (The fourth young man reported that he and his partner were trying to conceive a second child.) Said Sonenstein, "Young men are not the problem, they are part of the solution."

But until teen boys and young men are brought into this conversation, there will be no solution.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## Doonesbury



## OPINION

## Casualty count a precursor of ballot count

BY MICHAEL GOODWIN

New York Daily News

**T**raffickers in conventional wisdom look at the latest election front and see big trouble for President Bush. About 60 percent of the country deems the war in Iraq a mistake, and only 42 percent approve of the job Bush is doing, says a CBS-New York Times poll.

Ignore those numbers. Come Election Day, the most important number will be 1,000. As in, more than 1,000 U.S. soldiers died in Iraq? If the answer is yes, odds are good you'll be saying hello to President John Kerry.

If it stays under 1,000, but Bush gets more than four years.

With the total now at about 860, the countdown to November has become a bloody numbers game. At the current rate of mayhem, Bush will be a private citizen in January.

No, my bet on 1,000 is not scientific, any more than are the over-under numbers people's bookies slap on sports events. It's purely symbolic, a simplistic round-number snapshot of how

things are going over there.

But just as gamblers know that the over-under bet separates winners from losers, Bush and Kerry are stuck with the politics of body bags.

The more there are, the better for Kerry. As the numbers have climbed, so, too, has the number of Americans who are against the war — and against Bush.

The race is now a dead heat, according to all the polls. And one clear way for the White House to pull off a victory is to have fewer dead troops making headlines down the campaign stretch.

Too cynical? Perhaps.

But how else to explain giving Iraq back to Iraqis in a ceremony that had to be secret to be safe? And having U.S. forces play mostly defense instead of hunting down the thugs who have turned parts of Iraq into a Taliban-like Islamic state? The body-bag goddess explains everything you need to know about the issue that will determine the next president.

Tellingly, the Defense Department is not as helpful as some private and media tallies. (The best Web site is [icasualties.org](http://icasualties.org);

CNN is also good.) Tracking American fatalities has already explained one fact: While a lot of people think Bush is one of the dumbest presidents we've ever had, nobody calls him stupid.

With good reason, because a stupid man would have stayed the disastrous course he was pursuing in Iraq earlier this year. Instead, Bush has quietly changed American policy so much that it's hard to remember what that policy was a mere four months ago.

The body bags tell the story.

In February, American deaths were at 20, the lowest of any month in the war and fewer than half of January's. But they shot up to 52 in March, then exploded to 135 in the carnage of April.

With the number approaching 80 by late May, Bush gave a prime-time speech that signaled a change of tone and tactics. Many commentators derided it as nothing new, but soon American commanders started playing it safer, and the numbers of dead started falling.

About 45 GIs have died in June, a pace that would push the number over 1,000 by November. To stay under 1,000, the four-month average from July



needs to be closer to 30.

Even if Bush can pull that off, it's probably too late to persuade Americans that the war was a good idea. But minimizing our losses will keep the story off the front page.

And that will allow Bush to

change the debate to another number, one more to his advantage: jobs. More than 1.4 million have been added since August, a boom that, if it keeps going, would erase all the losses since 2001.

Only then could Bush count on the job he cares about most.

## Social benefits are inherent to existence of draft

BY NOEL KOCH

**A**s a speechwriter for President Nixon, I wrote the legislative message proposing an end to the military draft. The president sought to end the Vietnam War in a way that would advance what he regularly called "a full generation of peace." In the late 1960s, America's cities were set aflame by the civil rights revolution; in the early '70s, the campuses of the nation's universities were in similar peril. The draft was a target of anti-war protests. The president made a tactical retreat, ending it. He later regretted the move, urging that the draft be restored.

The subject has surfaced since Vietnam but never, until now, with much force. In fact, there are few good arguments against the draft and a surfeit of good ones for restoring it. The most obvious is that we do not have enough men and women in our armed forces. Reliance on reserves and the National Guard is creating strains along the socioeconomic spectrum and is not an endlessly sustainable expedient.

If we are to fight elective wars, as we are told we must, we need more men and women on active duty.

But there are good reasons to return to the draft. I joined the Army in 1957. Members of my family had served in every conflict since the Civil War, and service was expected, as was getting a job, getting married and having a family. We were lower middle class and uneducated. I left high school without a diploma. College was not something to which my family aspired. It never occurred to us that we could go.

The draft shattered class distinctions. It mixed high school dropouts with college graduates, rich with middle class and poor. To be sure, the draftees weren't happy to be in the Army, and they were even less happy to be rubbing shoulders with those of us who volunteered. There was friction from basic training through advanced training and, with lessening

heat, into assignment to our permanent duty stations. Name-calling was a regular feature of our lives: We were "hifers," "losers," "GI RRs" (GI rat bastards).

We had our own names for the drafters. But the educated learned to value those without college degrees, and the uneducated, helped by the GI Bill, discovered that higher learning might be within reach after all.

This homogenizing process didn't end with education. It extended to the broadening of cultural horizons. I learned to appreciate Bach and Handel listening to the records of a draftee friend. He enjoyed my rendition of "The Duke of Earl" down the center of our hooch near Tan Son Nhut Air Base.

Class lines blurred and so did racial lines. The military did more to advance the cause of equality in the United States than any other law, institution or movement. Not for nothing did "Bro" come into common usage in the Vietnam era. "Who sheds his blood with me shall be my brother."

The draft furthered the work begun during the Civil War. It advanced the business of making us one people. The draftees may not have liked being pulled away from the careers that awaited them and being thrown in with people they probably wouldn't have associated with otherwise. But over the two-year span of their service, there were sea changes. The disaffected became the committed, became leaders who demanded the best of others and especially of themselves. They saluted with a snap indistinguishable from any other.

When they took their discharges and went home, they had an investment in America not shared by those who did not serve. Try to find a draftee who regrets his service to America. After a time they were not "draftees" at all; they were American soldiers — part of the fabric of the nation, committed to its values and their preservation.

The resurrection of the draft, so vitally necessary to restore the depth of ready manpower we need in our force structure,

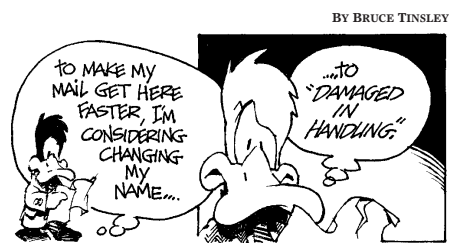
is self-justifying despite the arguments of a succession of defense secretaries who feel obliged to defend our "volunteer military" with technical arguments that mask political squeamishness.

But the nation also needs a draft because it is one proven mechanism to bring us to our rapidly separating parts. It needs a draft to provide that common civic grammar that encompasses those who have served and their families and friends. It needs a draft to honor, and to even out, the sacrifices we call upon our young to make for our nation.

Finally, America needs this fund of experience to expand the pool of people likely to reach the corridors of power and, when they get there, to bring with them a bone-deep appreciation of the true costs of conflict. This might we reduce the risks of counsel from those who have never had to learn the difference between a war and a cakewalk.

Noel Koch was special assistant to President Nixon from 1971 to 1974. He was assistant secretary of defense and director for special planning at the Defense Department from 1980 to 1986. This column first appeared in the Washington Post.

## Mallard Fillmore



BY BRUCE TINSLEY

## Hitch rack stays

**IL** ARTHUR — Horses are the primary mode of transportation for many of the area's 3,500-strong Amish community, and they need a parking place, too. That's why when the village spends \$125,000 to pave a downtown parking lot to make room for 83 cars and three buses near its Visitors Center, the hitch rack will remain. Officials say curiosity about the Amish feed a thriving tourist industry.



## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

### Hard liquor, hard feelings

**OR** PORTLAND — The Associated Liquor Stores of Oregon, which represents nearly half of the state's 239 liquor stores, is strongly opposed to a state plan to let a handful of supermarkets in urban areas sell booze on a trial basis, lobbyists for the group testified at a public hearing. The state liquor commission proposed allowing up to six grocery stores in urban areas to sell hard liquor for a two-year test period. The program is intended to increase liquor sales in the state by making purchases more convenient, while still keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors.

### Silver lining

**ID** MULLAN — The operators of the Lucky Friday Mine say a huge vein of silver and high precious metal prices could keep the mine open through at least 2011. Three years ago, the mine was losing nearly \$1 on every ounce of silver mined. Hecia Mining Co. is expected to reach the vein holding 28 million ounces of silver by the end of the year.

### Rhode Island name game

**RI** PROVIDENCE — After 25 years of research, the federal government has decided that the formal name for Aquidneck Island will remain Rhode Island.

The decision from the U.S. Board on Geographic Names resolves a petition filed in 1979 by David Shonting, then a Middletown resident. The former University of Rhode Island oceanographer became intrigued when he went sailing in Newport with some friends, and noticed some nautical charts had labeled Aquidneck Island as "Rhode Island."

Shonting researched the issue, and sent a petition to the board, a branch of the Interior Department. The Providence Journal reported. The agency told him critical reasons for changing a name was "common usage" and "local preference," meaning which name residents and public officials would prefer.

Among those backing the name change were the Aquidneck Indian Council, a Native American advocacy group, and the Newport Historical Society.

### Human remains found

**GA** SAVANNAH — A human skull found when utility workers were digging in downtown Savannah to repair a gas line may have belonged to an old slave burial ground.

Police have sent the skull to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation crime lab to determine the age of

the remains. They're treating the find as a fact-finding investigation, said spokesman Bucky Burnsed, who confirmed that the bones appeared to be "very old."

"It's not an active homicide investigation," he said. "Basically we have sent it to the crime lab to figure out what we have here."

Historians believe the skull may have belonged to a colonial Savannah slave. Maps show the work site, outside the Massie Heritage Interpretation Center, used to be a cemetery where slaves may have been buried.

### Fire destroys homes

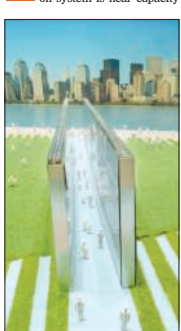
**NY** SOMERSWORTH — Authorities say a fire that left seven people homeless was suspicious.

The three-alarm fire destroyed about a third of an apartment complex.

Firefighters said it spread quickly after two propane tanks exploded.

### Prisons overcrowded

**TX** AUSTIN — The Texas prison system is near capacity



### Across the river

A model on display at a news conference in Newark, N.J., shows the winning design in the New Jersey September 11th Memorial competition. The project, titled "Empty Sky," would be located in Liberty State Park in Jersey City, N.J. Looking toward New York through the project's two stainless steel walls provides a direct view of the location where the World Trade Center stood.

and could become overcrowded by next year, according to a legislative agency report.

Present trends suggest the 150,000-bed prison system will have about 500 more inmates than it can house by late summer 2005 and 5,000 more than it can handle by 2008, the Legislative Budget Board's criminal justice analysis team said.

"It's a wake-up call that our prisons are going to be full in the very near future unless we get smarter about how and why we lock people up in this state," State Sen. John Whitmire, chairman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee, said in Thursday's edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Whitmire has called for more flexibility in releasing foreign nationals who could be deported and elderly inmates who are too frail to be considered a threat to public safety.

### Hawaii vice fighting ice

**HI** KAILUA-KONA — The fight against crystal methamphetamine is a work in progress, but the effort is yielding results, Big Island authorities told U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye.

Detective Derrick Diego, West Hawaii Ice Task Force leader, and county Prosecutor Jay Kimura said \$4.4 million in federal funding secured by the senator is being used in a three-pronged effort to combat the drug known as ice — treatment, prevention and enforcement programs.

The goal is to identify, target, disrupt, dismantle and prosecute street level to upper level drug trafficking organizations that primarily promote ice, Diego said.

The county's initiative is becoming a model for other communities facing the same battle, he said.

### Flight attendant indicted

**TN** NASHVILLE — A flight attendant was indicted by a federal grand jury for allegedly placing a bomb threat on an airplane.

Gay Wilson, 37, was charged with unlawful interference with a flight crew, communicating false information that endangered the safety of an aircraft in flight, and maliciously conveying false information.

The threatening note was left on an American Airlines flight from Dallas-Fort Worth to Boston on May 27, forcing the plane to be diverted to Nashville. Wilson was an off-duty flight attendant for American Airlines riding on the flight.

"I'm sorry," Wilson wrote in a confession, FBI agent Greg Franklin testified in a preliminary hearing last week. "I take full responsibility for my problems. I've never been in trouble in all my life until now."

### Tree house fall fatal

**NY** ALBANY — A 10-year-old girl died after accidentally falling from a tree house with a strap around her neck.

Authorities said Amanda Moon was playing with her cousins in her tree house in East Chatham Friday, when she placed a strap around her neck and fell about six feet.

Amanda's father said she suffered brain damage and died at an Albany hospital.



**Just hanging around** Wearing a life jacket, Trek, a 3-year-old Jack Russell terrier, gets a lift from owner Timmy Gossett, crewmember aboard the F/V Laguna Star, a salmon seiner moored in St. Paul Harbor in Kodiak, Alaska.



**Teach the world to sing** The new Coca-Cola interactive sign lights up New York's Times Square. The six-story communications portal is made up of 32 convex and concave high definition LED screens containing more than 2 million lights that will be permanently illuminated.



**Dirty job** A worker tills the soil on a farm near Hanford, Calif., along Highway 99 through the San Joaquin Valley heartland of the state.





**Splish splash** Emilio Perez, an interstate road crew employee, heads back to higher ground after checking the drains, which overflowed from accumulated rainfall, causing both lanes of Interstate 35 between Troy and Temple, Texas, to be closed for several hours.



**Bikini watching** Bargoers enjoy an ocean view on the outdoor deck of Bally's Bikini Beach Bar in Atlantic City, N.J. The bar is one of four beach bars that have sprung up on the sand in recent months.



**Skipping stones** From left, Courtney Jewett, 13; Ali McKinney, 14; and Liz DeMoo, 14, all of Londonderry, N.H., make their way along a rock jetty at Wallis Sands State Park in Rye, N.H.

## Heavy protection

**MO** SPRINGFIELD — Vice President Dick Cheney's recent appearance at a campaign rally will cost Springfield taxpayers about \$3,000, most of it for police overtime. Cheney spoke last week at a Republican rally at Springfield Exposition Center and then shopped at Bass Pro Shops. The city doesn't plan to bill the Bush-Cheney campaign, officials said.

## Coral threatened?

**FL** KEY WEST — Officials said they will consider adding three types of Florida coral to the U.S. list of threatened and endangered species, making them the first species of coral under review for special protection.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service agreed to recommend whether to list elkhorn coral, staghorn coral and fused staghorn coral as threatened species. A panel of experts will make the recommendation by March.

They will be the first coral species under review for federal protection, said Jennifer Moore, a NOAA natural resource specialist.

The three kinds of coral have been considered species of special concern — which means they were under watch — since 1999.

## Winged migration

**VT** MONTPELIER — Three monarch butterflies affixed with tiny tags last summer in Vermont have turned up 2,400 miles away in Mexico, the Vermont Institute of Natural Science has confirmed.

The three were the only ones of at least several hundred, probably more than 1,000, monarchs tagged in Vermont last year as part of an effort to track their migration to their wintering grounds in El Rosario, Mexico, said VINS consulting naturalist Bryan Pfeiffer.

"A monarch I held in my hand flew all the way to Mexico," he said. He tagged one in his yard in Plainfield in August, and joined a VINS staff scientist, Kent McFarland, in tagging hundreds more during a day-long demonstration at the VINS Nature Center in Quechee in September.

"This is one of the great natural events in North America, the movement of millions and millions of monarch butterflies south through the continent to Mexico," Pfeiffer said of the annual fall migration.

## Waiting for the bats

**GA** OMAHA — The maternity ward under the Talipahoga Creek bridge is full of ugly babies. With gray, scrawny bodies and pointed ears, the young bats clinging to their upside-down moms can look as monstrous as sci-fi aliens.

But the way Georgia highway officials see it, they're still babies. And until they're big enough to fly off on their own, a project to demolish the bridge will just have to wait.

"I appreciate our animal friends," said Billy Willis, president of Albany's Southern Concrete Construction Co., which had been hired to start the bridge project early last month. "You've got to live and let live."

Just before that work was to

begin, someone noticed the colony of 200 free-tailed bats living in two narrow expansion spaces under the bridge. Biologists confirmed that some of them were pregnant, and the state and the contractor agreed to put the work off until mid-August.

## Stealing kisses legal

**ID** COEUR D'ALENE — Stealing a kiss is not a crime, a jury has decided.

A computer repairman who kissed a customer during a house call was acquitted of battery.

Steven Allen Moyer, 40, said he figured the woman was lonely and might want companionship.

"She said she didn't have a steady boyfriend," Moyer testified. "I asked her if she wanted a boyfriend for 15 minutes."

Victoria Franch said Moyer cornered her, grabbed her and kissed her twice — after hilling her \$20 for the service call. She said Moyer also asked her if she wanted to show him the bedroom.

"I said no and he left," she said. Franch then called police.

The five-man, one-woman jury took 90 minutes to acquit Moyer.

## Superintendent charged

**MA** NORTHAMPTON — Northampton's superintendent of schools has been charged with assault with a dangerous weapon in what police called a domestic dispute.

Police said the weapon involved was a semiautomatic handgun.

Superintendent Michael A. Cosgriff was released on his own recognizance after pleading innocent at his arraignment in Northampton District Court.

He also pleaded innocent to charges of failing to properly secure a shotgun and a rifle. State law requires firearms to be stored in a locked container or have a state-approved trigger lock.

Southampton Police said they were called to Cosgriff's home by a woman. Cosgriff, who had left the home, was arrested two hours later. The identity of the woman was not released.

## Felon list order

**FL** TALLAHASSEE — A judge ordered Florida officials to provide the public with copies of a list of people thought to be felons and facing possible deletion from the voting rolls.

Circuit Court Judge Nikki Ann Clark ruled in favor of CNN and several other media organizations who sued the state Division of Elections seeking access to the list.

Under state law, the list was considered a public record, but the law allowed only certain people and groups, such as political parties, to make copies. Anyone else was allowed to look at the list, but not copy it.

The list contains names of people who may be felons that appear to match the names of registered voters. But state officials who compile it acknowledge the matches are unverified, and many of the people on the list may be eligible to vote. They sent the list of more than 47,000 names to county election supervisors, who are expected to determine who should be removed from the rolls.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press

# Horoscope

The moon enters Pisces, a harmonious blend with the Cancer sun. Emotions are fluid, and the tendency is to romanticize what's happening. With Mercury now exploring Leo, that inclination is even more pronounced. So if you find yourself wailing like a Victorian poet, you haven't lost your mind. You're merely using it in a sentimental way.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 5).** You're on your own path this year, unconcerned about how others are accomplishing their goals — you've got your own way, and it works brilliantly for you! Investments this month and next are lucky. You're building your career and have to spend money to make money. Relationship progress in August is serious! Love signs are Sagittarius and Capricorn.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Pleasant details fall into place, like lunch invitations or discounts based on your being in the right place at the right time. In a quest to get something of magnitude accomplished, you're checking off a million little things.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** There are some confusing complications having to do with authority, who has it and what you're really being "graded" on. Don't be afraid to request more clarity from people, no matter how high up they are, on the totem pole.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Environment plays a huge part in your decision making. You may find yourself falling into preferences that are common to your region or to the culture of a social group that you belong to. Be mindful.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You know quite a lot, but thank goodness you don't know it all — that would be very annoying to everyone around you. When you enter unfamiliar territory, don't let your confidence slip. Everyone is a beginner at something.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** It feels as if this day is out of your control. A partner may agree to plans for the

both of you, or a forgotten engagement forces you to shuffle everything around. You put on a good face, as usual — you're nothing if not tactful.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** A more capable leader than you would be difficult to find. Refine your approach based on the people you're trying to lead, though. Sure, the plan may be foolproof, but how does it hold up when there's a genius trying to work it?

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Life requires your "A" game. Even if it seems like overkill, use the sharpest tool in your kit to solve problems. Deliver a humble opinion when asked for it. You'll make a difference, as folks are listening closely to you.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** It feels like life in a pressure cooker, but at least the stress helps you get focused. Some people in your life simply don't understand what it means to be as busy as this. A Capricorn is waiting for you to pay proper respect.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** An influx of new blood on the scene might be threatening to some but not to you. Colorful people bring out the many flavors of your personality and help you shine. Your winning attitude attracts affection.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Your logical mood makes it impossible to understand where that irrational person is coming from, but you're generous enough to allow for strong emotions. Casual meetings will have rather sophisticated results.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** It's obvious how you're choosing your company — the one who makes you laugh gets more of your time.

Continue with this method of choosing your friends, and you could very well improve your health.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** People around you are playing it cool, but you can rest assured you are deeply appreciated. Pool resources with friends to do something spectacular for that needy individual.

You're the one who is made richer for the effort.

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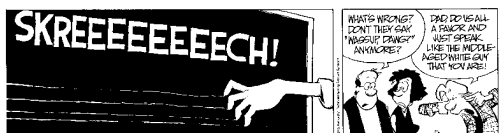
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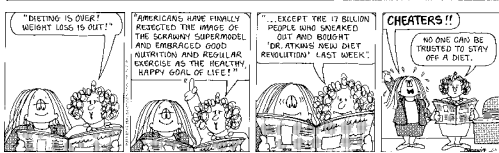
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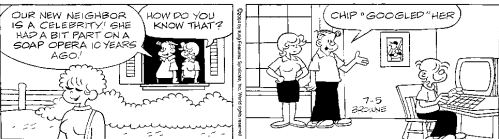
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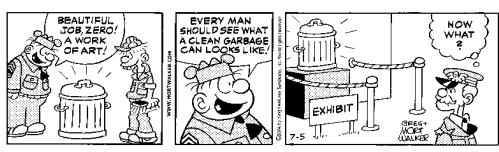
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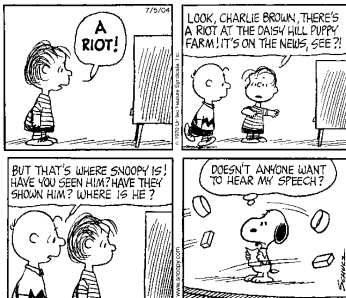
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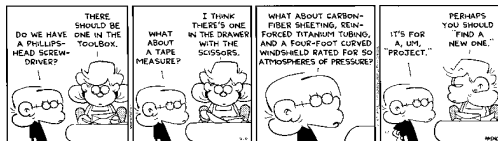
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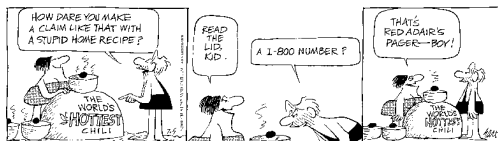
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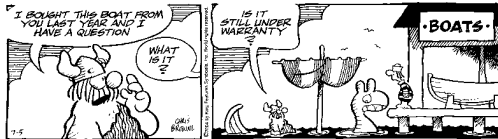
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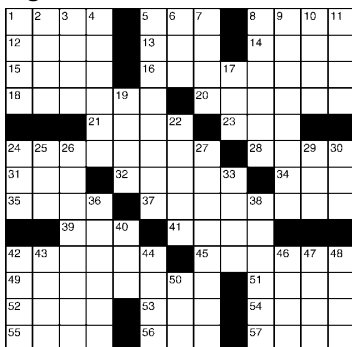
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## Eugene Sheffer Crossword



## Across

- 1 Toast topper
- 5 Singer Sumac
- 8 With (Fr.)
- 12 Predicate part
- 13 Years and years and years and ...
- 14 "The Adventures of — and Otis"
- 15 Hertz rival
- 16 "Darn it!"
- 18 Straight
- 20 Finally
- 21 D-Day town
- 23 Sun, speech
- 24 "Indeed!"
- 28 Recording
- 31 Walrus's gift
- 32 Go — bails in
- 34 Whale group
- 35 Scepter toppers
- 37 "Oh, my!"
- 39 Recyclable item
- 41 "— Anything" (song from "Oliver")
- 42 Underwent detente
- 45 Hammerstein's contribution
- 49 "Gosh!"
- 51 Academic
- 52 Unoriginal one
- 53 Reply (Abbr.)
- 54 Wrong
- 55 Colonial sewer
- 56 Astronaut
- 57 Highway section
- 26 Jeansmaker
- 27 Thracian structures
- 28 Like some jackets
- 29 Faux —
- 30 North Sea feeder
- 33 Mark of "The Full Monty"
- 36 Lumberjacks, often
- 38 Standard
- 40 Opposite of "paleo-"
- 42 Slope transport
- 43 Injection, for short
- 44 Pull
- 46 Davenport setting?
- 47 Hockey jokes
- 48 Eye woe
- 50 Whitebeast

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



## Down

1 Office shape

7-5 CRYPTOQUIP

ENHG Z OHAVKG XV

LAPXGS BKQUBP XG Z

OQT. WNZW RXSNW TH

LZBBHU Z TZAARKR TZER.

**Saturday's Cryptquip:** PAPA WAS A REALLY HUGE FAN OF NEW ORLEANS PARTIES. HE RENAMED HIMSELF MARTY GRAU.

Today's Cryptquip Clue: T equals B











## MONDAY EVENING / JULY 5, 2004

## MOVIES

## SPORTS

J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30
6	AFN-P	ESPN News	AFN Evening News	60 Minutes II (CC)	Cold Case "Sherry Duffin" A man confesses to murdering his grandmother 14 years ago. (CC)			Without a Trace "Fallout" A woman's disappearance turns out to be a hostage crisis for the team. (Part 1 of 2) (CC)			Late Show (CC)	
7	AFN-ATL	(5:30) Guiding Light (CC)	General Hospital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)	Lilo & Stitch "Mely" (CC)			Digimon: Digital Monsters	Spy "A Bird We Heard"	Even Stevens "Stirling Rivalry"
8	NEWS	Dateline NBC (CC)		Access Hollywood (CC)		Good Morning America (CC)		Headline News Channel One		The Early Show (CC)		
9	SPTS	H400 PGA Golf Cals Western Open - Final Round. (Taped)		SportsCenter		NASCAR Racing Nestle Cup Series - Piquet 400. From Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla. (Taped)						
10	SPORTS	Average Joe: Hawaii (CC)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Protection" A mother abandons her wounded son in an emergency room.		Monster Garage "Under the Hood" Features reminiscences about his favorite monsters. (CC)		The New Detectives: Case Studies in Forensic Science "Forensic Trust" A woman and her daughter are lost.		*** "Stars and Stripes Forever" (1992, Biography) Clifton Webb, Debra Paget, Robert Wagner. Based on the life of composer John Philip Sousa. (CC)		
14	TMC	(15) *** "Children on Their Birthdays" (2002, Drama) Joe Pichler, Tania Rayma, Jesse Piersons. A boy copes with his first crush in the summer of 1947. PG (CC)		The NewsHour with Neil Lehrer (CC)		*** "Ready to Wear (Pre-Report)" (1994, Comedy) Sophia Loren, Marcello Mastroianni, Julia Roberts. Filmmaker Robert Altman unravels the fashion industry. R (CC)		(15) *** "Mean Machine" (2001, Comedy-Drama) Vinne Jones, Jason Sudeikis, David Kelly. A jailed soccer star teaches other inmates to play the game. R (CC)		Liberty! The American Revolution (Part 1 of 6) (CC)		
24	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog: Make a Cub (CC)		Dragon Tales A Trollzoid plays with a new class. (CC)		The NewsHour with Neil Lehrer (CC)		Antiques Roadshow Portfolio of signed Arnie Adams photographs. Jarrett Gross playing (CC)		History Detectives "The origin of a Civil War submarine abandoned in a New Orleans lake. (CC)		Queer as Folk Brian makes a job decision. (CC)
25	SHOW	(8:15) *** "Class" (1983) Rob Lowe. A prep-school student has a fling with his homeroom teacher. (CC)		*** "Mr. Jones" (1993, Drama) Richard Dreyfuss falls in love with a mentally unbalanced patient. R (CC)		Geri, Lana Olin, Anne Bancroft. A doctor falls in love with a mentally unbalanced patient. R (CC)		Soul Food "Angelitos Negro" Ten agrees to spend the weekend with Charles. (CC)		Queer as Folk Brian makes a job decision. (CC)		
27	A&E	Cold Historical, cultural and sociological perspectives on cats. (CC)		*** "Pride" (2004, Drama) Voices of Helen Mirren, Jim Broadbent, John Hurt. Two young lions must learn to survive in the wild. (CC)		Survive in the Wild (CC)		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		
28	DISC	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		
29	TF	(5:50) Ang Tangling Ina		Adventures		Insider		The Correspondents		Morning Girls		
30	CNN-I	Larry King Weekend (CC)		CNN World News		World Sport		Business International		Asia Tonight		
31	GOLF	European PGA Golf European Open - Final Round. From Dublin, Ireland.		Golf Channel Academy		Golf Central		Golf Channel Academy		Golf Central		Golf Central
32	TLC	Green Swamp Angels, a sorcery alliance, should be hunted for her collection of Greek key. (CC)		In a Fix (N)		Trauma: Life in the ER The staff of Vanderbilt University Medical Center's emergency room. (CC)		Unfold Stories of the E.R. "My Job is Heartbeat" (N)		Unfold Stories of the E.R. "We Have a Heartbeat" (N)		
34	TOON	Samurai Jack		Dexter's Laboratory		Courage the Cowardly Dog		Justice League		Powerpuff Girls		
35	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter "A Handful of Elephants" Observing the endangered Indonesian elephant. (CC)		The Planet's Funniest Animals		The Planet's Funniest Animals		Growing Up... Growing Up Tiger Two girls cops. (N)		Cell Dogs "Corona" Fun-filled dog show. (CC)		
36	COM	Late Night Glee Burchard, Jesse James, Art Dr. Maur. (CC)		*** "My Cousin Vinny" (1992, Comedy) Joe Pesci, Ralph Macchio, Maria Tormel. An inept lawyer tries to win his cousin from a Dixie jail. (CC)		South Park Cartman starts being nice. (CC)		Reno 911! Wiegman's Reno is a murder suspect. (CC)		Introducing Garçon Norton		
40	NGC-A	Wildlife Diary		Grizzly Paradise		Toyota World of Wildlife		Planet Wild		Be the Creature "Great White Shark" Shyding the great white shark off the coast of South Africa. (CC)		
42	SPIKE	Horsepower TV (CC)		Horsepower TV (CC)		Star Trek: The Next Generation "Samaritan" (CC)		Star Trek: The Next Generation "Enterprise must save a society. (CC)		*** "WWE Raw Scheduled: Triple H takes on Eugene. (CC)		
43	FOX	Fame (CC)		Blind Date Fishing (N)		Blind Date (CC)		North Shore "Issa" A down-on-his-toes job as a hotel maid. (N)		The Casino A high roller hits the Golden Nugget looking for cash. (N)		
44	BET	16:00 Park: BET's Top 10 Live		Movie Special		*** "Ghosts" (1990, Comedy) Billy Crystal, Kimberly Russell, Denise Richards. A ghost has three days to secure his family's finances. (CC)		Forensic Files An investigator sniffs out a murder. (CC)		Forensic Files An investigator sniffs out a murder. (CC)		
46	COURT	MYPO Blue "Sunny Murphy" Suspect's son and Spowicz investigate the stabbing death of a girl. (CC)		Cops A man claims to be the son of a job. (CC)		Cops Officers capture a burglary suspect. (CC)		The System "Treated Waters" Underwater footage: experts are called in after a toxic dump in a creek. (CC)		Forensic Files An investigator sniffs out a murder. (CC)		
48	STR-WD	Baywatch (CC)		The Simpsons		Cheers (CC)		Star News Focus		Just Shoot Me		
50	LIFE	The Golden Girls Dorothy's pupil may be deported. (CC)		The Golden Girls Dorothy's pupil may be deported. (CC)		The Nanny C.C.'s dog may have left in a Lamb Chop. (CC)		The Nanny C.C.'s dog may have left in a Lamb Chop. (CC)		Providence "Sail Away" Kyle decides to continue his recovery away from his friends and family. (CC)		
51	ABC-FM	Full House Michelle enters a derby race. (CC)		Full House Michelle enters a derby race. (CC)		7th Heaven "Kiss" Eric feels jealous when the children turn to Annie for advice. (CC)		*** "Addams Family Values" (1993, Comedy) Anjelica Huston, Paul Giamatti, Christopher Lloyd. A greedy nanny plots to marry and murder Uncle Fester. (CC)		Whose Line Is It Anyway? (CC)		
53	HIST	134: Russian Victory (CC)		Modern Marvels The construction of the Panama Canal opened up trade and changed the world. (CC)		Mail Call The mail-sending longbow. (CC)		The Color of War Silent and Desperately Seeking (CC)		Band of Brothers (CC)		
57	STR-W	(6:30) "Chopin: Desire for love"		(6:40) "Frank Murphy's C.L." (2002, Comedy) Dave Sheridan, Dr. Phil, Kevin Pollak. An insurance investigator probes his partner's motives. (CC)		In the Footsteps of Livingstone (Part 1 of 2)		*** "The Santa Clause" (1994, Comedy) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold, Wendy Crewson. A divorced dad unwittingly becomes the new Santa. (CC)		In the Wake of Vikings Sea kayakers take on the remote Arctic of northern Norway. (CC)		
58	ADV 1	Panama Canal: The Mountain and the Mosquito		Ice in Iceland		Chasing Time "Burns' Amers" La Boca Studio. (CC)		Road Rules "Extreme: Chile" (CC)		Road Rules "Extreme: Chile" (CC)		
59	MTV	Making the Video "Usher" Usher video project. (N)		Boiling Points		Boiling Points		Newlyweds: Nick & Jessica		EW's Summer Must List (N)		
60	NICK	Julie "The Wild Thornberry"		Julie "The Wild Thornberry"		Julie "The Wild Thornberry"		Rugrats Angelica makes Santa quit. (CC)		SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)		

## JAPAN TV

**Afternoon**  
2:30 U.S. Movie (1987): No Way Out (2:00) (12)  
3:12 Grand Sumo: The 2nd Day (1)  
5:50 News (6)  
**Evening**  
7:00 News (1)  
7:30 News (1)  
10:00 Nidita (42)  
11:15 LPGA Tour: U.S. Women's Open - Final Round Highlights (10)  
11:55 UEFA Euro 2004 Soccer Highlights (6)  
12:20 Grand Sumo Digest (1)  
12:50 MLB Highlights (6)  
1:40 British-U.S. Movie (2000): Snatch (20:04)  
3:23 Star Trek: DS9 (8)  
3:25 Classical Music (13)  
4:00 Grand Sumo Digest (13)

## JAPAN TV-B57

**Morning**  
7:00 Karrie Webb's Simple Golf (10)  
7:30 Football Mundial  
8:00 Top News from Around the World  
9:00 Top News from Around the World  
10:00 MLB: New York Yankees vs. New York Mets  
**Afternoon**  
1:00 World News  
2:00 ABC News  
3:00 CNN News  
4:00 World News Hour  
5:00 World News  
**Evening**  
6:00 Midday  
6:25 Olympia  
7:00 Midday  
7:30 Round, Rio GP  
10:00 MLB Highlights  
10:30 Grand Sumo Digest, 2nd Day  
11:00 BS News  
11:30 Economic News

12:15 PGA Golf: Cals Western Open (1)  
2:05 Asian News  
3:25 World Amazing Sports (1)  
3:50 ABC News  
4:30 U.S. News  
5:00 Top News from Around the World

## JAPAN TV-B5.11

**Morning**  
10:00 Classical Music: Wind Instruments Tour  
Players Special Concert  
**Afternoon**  
1:00 Grand Sumo Tournament, 2nd Day (bilingual) (4 p.m.)  
**Evening**  
7:00 NHK News  
7:50 U.S. Movie (1986): The Bridge (2:00)  
10:00 TV Series: ER  
12:00 TV Series: Thursday the 12th (1/2)  
1:40 Classical Music

## WOWOW

**Morning**  
7:15 Oswald #23  
**Afternoon**  
8:00 U.S. Movie (2002): Master Spy: The Robbery of the East India Company (2:10)  
9:40 British-U.S. Movie (1986): Elizabeth (2:10)  
**Evening**  
12:00 TV Series: Dawson's Creek  
1:00 U.S. Movie (2002): All About the Benjamins (1:40)  
3:00 U.S. Movie (2001): Angel Eyes (1:50)  
5:00 Oswald #23 (1)  
**Evening**  
7:00 U.S. Movie (1986): Lucas (1:45)  
9:00 UEFA Euro 2004 Soccer: Final (1)  
11:45 U.S. Movie (2002): Showtime (1:40)  
12:30 The Best Film: Guns N' Roses  
12:50 Classic 90's  
1:00 Fresh Monday  
2:00 U.S. Size All Request  
3:00 Check the Rhythms  
3:00 After Hours

## MTV

**Morning**



## SCOREBOARD

## AFN schedule

Times listed are Japan and Korea Standard time. Team is one hour ahead; Sunday, Monday and Korea are one hour behind. Schedule subject to change without notice.

## Television

**AFN-Pacific/AFN-Korea**  
MON, July 5, at 1:30 a.m. auto racing: Indy Leagues: Arden Mortgage Indy 300.  
TUE, July 6, at 4 a.m. polo: Women's: Minnesota vs. Arizona.  
MON, July 5, at 5 a.m. College rugby: pairing to be announced. Championship, Harvard vs. Air Force.

## AFN-Atlantic

MON, July 5, at 2 a.m. Polo baseball: Boston Red Sox vs. New York Yankees.  
TUE, July 6, at 8 a.m. Polo baseball: N.Y. Mets vs. Philadelphia.

## AFN-France

MON, July 5, at 8 a.m. polo: GPGA Tour: Western Open, final rounds.  
TUE, July 6, at 8 a.m. Polo baseball: 75th All-Star Game, selection show.  
TUE, July 6, at 10:30 a.m. Polo baseball: Chicago White Sox vs. Chicago Cubs.

TUE, July 6, at 10:30 a.m. Polo: Women's: U.S. Open, final stages.  
TUE, July 6, at 10:30 a.m. Polo: Women's: NASAR Neel Cup Pepsi Firecracker 400.  
TUE, July 6, at 11 a.m. Polo: Women's: Colorado vs. St. Louis.

TUE, July 6, at 8 a.m. College lacrosse: Army vs. Navy.  
TUE, July 6, at 11 a.m. Polo baseball: Houston Astros vs. San Diego.  
TUE, July 6, at 4 p.m. Auto racing: CART (Champion Car) Cleveland Grand Prix.

TUE, July 6, at 7 p.m. Cycling: Tour de France, second stage.  
TUE, July 6, at 10 p.m. Polo: Argentine: N.Y. Mets vs. Philadelphia.

## Radio

**Korea - AFN Thunder-AM**  
MON, July 5, at 1 a.m. polo: Arden Mortgage Indy Leagues: Arden Mortgage Indy 300.  
TUE, July 6, at 9 a.m. Polo baseball: Chicago White Sox vs. Chicago Cubs.

TUE, July 6, at 10:30 a.m. Polo: Women's: U.S. Open, final stages.  
TUE, July 6, at 8 a.m. Polo baseball: Cincinnati Reds vs. St. Louis.  
TUE, July 6, at 10 p.m. Polo: Argentine: N.Y. Mets vs. Philadelphia.

## Okinawa - AFN Surf 648-AM

MON, July 5, at 9 a.m. Polo baseball: Minnesota vs. Chicago.  
TUE, July 6, at 10 p.m. Polo baseball: Chicago White Sox vs. Chicago Cubs.

## Japan baseball

## Central League

W L P CT GS  
Chunichi 38 39 5 577 10  
Hanshin 38 39 5 577 10  
Yomiuri 38 39 5 577 10  
Yokohama 38 39 5 577 10  
Vakuri 31 34 4 477 6  
Yokohama 31 34 4 477 6

## Saturday's games

Hiroshima 7, Yomiuri 5  
Yokohama 3, Chunichi 2  
Hanshin 1, Yakuri 3

## Pacific League

W L P CT GS  
Daiei 47 30 2 630 10  
Hanshin 47 30 2 630 10  
Nippon Ham 35 40 1 467 11  
Tohoku 35 40 1 467 11  
Kintetsu 35 40 1 467 11

## Saturday's games

Nippon Ham 7, Seibu 4  
Kintetsu 5, Orix 4, Innings  
Tohoku 3, Nippon Ham 3

## Tennis

## Wimbledon

## Saturday

## At The Wimbledon Lawn Tennis &amp; Croquet Club

## Purse: \$17.6 million (Grand Slam)

## Surface: Grass-Outdoor

## Singles

## Men

## Women

## Doubles

## Men

## Women

## Mixed

## Juniors

## Seniors

## Wheelchair

## Mixed

## Mixed

## Mixed

Pascual, Spanish, and Paola Suarez (1), Argentina, 7-6 (7), 4-6, 4-6.

## Quarterfinals

Wayne and Cara Black (2), Zimbabwe, 6-4, 7-6 (7), 4-6.

## Semifinals

Todd Woodbridge and Alicia Molik (8), Australia, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

David Panella and Alicia Molik (8), Australia, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

## Golf

## U.S. Women's Open

## Saturday

## At The Orchards Golf Club

## Purse: \$1.5 million

## Yardage: 6,914 Par 71

## Third Round

## Amateur amateur

Jennifer Rosales 70-69-69-206

Mig Mella 71-68-69-209

Kelly Borchers 71-68-69-209

Amelia Sorenstrom 71-68-69-209

Kathy Teske 71-68-69-209

Michelle Ellis 71-68-69-209

a-Michelle Wie 71-68-69-209

Jan Hurst 71-68-69-209

Maura Dunn 71-68-69-209

Kim Saki 71-68-69-209

a-Paula Creamer 71-68-69-209

Ben Smith 71-68-69-209

Carin Kuch 71-68-69-209

Carin Kuch 71-68-69-209

Mike Hyun Kim 71-68-69-209

Mike Hyun Kim 71-68-69-209

Si Hyun Ahn 71-68-69-209

Si Hyun Ahn 71-68-69-209

Deborah Rich 71-68-69-209

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Liouette Neumann 71-68-69-209

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Patricia Melendez-Lebou 71-68-69-209

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J-Hen Lee 71-68-69-209

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J-McCall 71-68-69-209

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Suzanne Petersen 71-68-69-209

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Kate Golden 71-68-69-209

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Stephen Leaney 76-70-67-211

Kevin Sutherland 72-70-72-212

Michael Taylor 69-74-69-212

Michael Taylor 69-74-69-212

Loren Roberts 69-74-69-212

Simon Simpson 69-74-69-212

Simon Simpson 69-74-69-212

Jeff Staman 72-70-72-213

Jeff Staman 72-70-72-213

Steve Allan 72-70-72-213

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Carlo Ferra 74-69-70-213

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Craig Brown 69-74-69-214

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Mark Wilson 71-71-71-214

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## European Open

## Saturday

## At South Course of the K Club

## Purse: \$4.82 million

## Yardage: 7,133 Par 72

## Third Round

Retief Goosen 69-67-72-207

Goosen 69-67-72-207

Manuel Llanusa 69-67-72-207

Manuel Llanusa 69-67-72-207

Westwood 69-67-72-207

Westwood 69-67-72-207

O'Malley 72-70-72-210

O'Malley 72-70-72-210

Henrik Stenson 71-72-72-212

Henrik Stenson 71-72-72-212

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# Women's Open fun for all ages

## Rosales still in lead; Sorenstam, Wie still within striking distance

By DOUG FERGUSON

The Associated Press

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass. — A swift charge by Annika Sorenstam.

Massive cheers for Michelle Wie.

None of it bothered Jennifer Rosales, who surged ahead with a 2-under 69 on Saturday in a U.S. Women's Open that is shaping up as one for the ages.

A free spirit with her own sense of fashion, Rosales pumped her fists and slapped hands with her caddy around Orchard Golf Club until she walked off the 18th with a three-shot lead over Sorenstam, Meg Mallon and Kelly Robbins.

Rosales was at 7-under 206 and now faces the real test — a final round in the biggest event in women's golf, with the No. 1 player in the world not far behind on a golf course that is starting to punish the slightest mistakes.

Wie found that out on an 18th hole that spoiled her day.

The 14-year-old from Hawaii recovered from a poor front nine with shots beyond her years, the most impressive an 8-iron into 6 feet for birdie on the 43rd yard.

In the 16th hole, the third-longest in Women's Open history. But it all came undone on the 18th, when her drive bounced into the rough, her approach sailed into the gallery and she three-putted for double bogey and a 71 that left her at 1-under 212, in a tie for seventh but still six shots behind Rosales.

Wie has been in contention twice in the Kraft Nabisco Championship, but this major is different.

"Over here, you never know

what's going to happen," Wie said.

One thing that never changes is Sorenstam in contention.

The best player in women's golf recovered from two bogeys on the first four holes with a couple of bursts — back-to-back birdies to make the turn at even par, then a 20-foot eagle putt on the par-5 13th and a shot out of the rough to 12 feet for birdie on the next hole.

Sorenstam wound up with a 70 and will play in the next-to-last group.

"I didn't get off to the start I wanted, but I kept grinding," Sorenstam said. "One under is pretty good at the U.S. Open on Saturday."

Only seven players managed to break par on a gorgeous, summer afternoon in New England that began to dry out the fairways and put a higher premium on tee shots.

Mallon, born in Massachusetts and beloved everywhere because of her infectious, freckle-faced smile, turned in the best round of the day with a 67 that put her at 29 and in the final group with Rosales.

Sorenstam will play with Robbins, who briefly shared the lead with four birdies on the front nine. Robbins lost in a three-way playoff last year at Pumpkin Ridge, where she had to play defensive golf on a dry course that kept her from hitting driver off the tee.

Rachel Teske (70) was at 210 and Michelle Ellis (72) was another stroke behind.

Wie was among 11 players still under par, while 17-year-old

coach at the University of Illinois.

Geoff Ogilvy (68) is one stroke behind the leaders. Stuart Appleby (67) and second-round co-leader Steve Lowery (70) were tied at two strokes back.

"I have a chance," Woods said. "That's what I wanted to do, get out there and play well enough where at least I have a chance going into Sunday. Now if I play a very similar round like I did today, you never know."

After struggling in his first two rounds, Woods had his game almost where he wanted it Saturday. He opened with three birdies, then got to 5 under — within one stroke of the leaders — when he rolled in a 10-footer on the par-4 No. 5, his 14th hole.

But Woods couldn't stay out of the sand on the next two holes, bo-



Jennifer Rosales of the Philippines watches her birdie putt drop in on the 16th green during the third round of the U.S. Women's Open at The Orchards in South Hadley, Mass., on Saturday.

Paula Creamer bogeyed the last hole for a 72 that left her at even-par 213.

"It's a great mix of veterans, the No. 1 player in the world and players that want to be a professional some day," Mallon said. "It's going to be a fun day tomorrow."

It all starts with Rosales, a 25-year-old Filipino who only two months ago won for the first time on the LPGA Tour. She was a nervous wreck that day in Atlanta, pacing the parking lot while waiting to see if anyone could catch her.

So, what's it like to be leading the Women's Open by three shots?

He closed with two birdies, including one of the more impressive shots of the day on the par-5 No. 9.

Still 336 yards away, Woods actually flew the green and landed in the thick rough behind it. But he chipped to within eight feet, and made the birdie putt to get to 5 under.

Goosen still in European lead

STRAFFAN, Ireland — U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen shot a par 72 Saturday, cutting his lead to one stroke after three rounds in the European Open.

Goosen, ahead by two strokes after two rounds, was at 9-under 207 entering the final day.

Spain's Jose Manuel Lara (67) was at 208 and England's Lee Westwood was at 209 after a 71.

# Wallace gets Busch win

The Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Mike Wallace drove from fifth to first on the last lap of Friday night's NASCAR Busch series race, taking advantage of crashes by Michael Waltrip and Dale Earnhardt Jr. to earn one of the biggest victories of his career.

Waltrip was strong throughout the race, but fell behind when he had a tire deflating 26 laps from the end of the

100-lap Winn-Dixie 250 at Daytona International Speedway.

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He was 25th on the restart with nine laps remaining, but with four fresh tires charged through traffic and moved all the way to the lead on lap 98 with Jason Leffler right on his rear bumper and Earnhardt close behind.

As the leaders drove into turn two on the final lap, Waltrip slid up the track in front of Leffler, who bumped Waltrip and sent him spinning off the track and into the wall. That slowed Leffler a bit and Earnhardt, with momentum, drove high on the banked track to pass Leffler, who slid up the track and pinned both himself and Earnhardt to the wall.

That opened the door for Wallace, who shot to the lead and beat Leffler to the finish line by 0.116 seconds. After the race, NASCAR penalized Leffler one second for unnecessary roughness, dropping him to 13th and giving second place to Greg Biffle.

Wallace had gone 137 races since his last Busch win in 1994.

Tracy claims Cleveland GP pole

CLEVELAND — Paul Tracy's morning spin didn't scare him or even slow him.

Just a few hours after he made two full rotations at more than 140 mph, Tracy captured the pole for the Cleveland Grand Prix.

Tracy blasted around the bumpy 2.106-mile runway course at Burke Lakefront Airport in 57.546 seconds (131.749 mph) on Friday to win his first pole this season.

Rookie Justin Wilson had Friday's second fastest time — 57.954 seconds (130.821 mph).

# Hensby, Ames lead Western Open

The Associated Press

LEWISTON, Ill. — Mark Hensby sailed a bogey-free 67 at Oak Hill Golf Club on Saturday, giving him a share of the third-round lead in the Western Open.

Stephen Ames (64) joined him at 9-under 204, and both will be looking for their first PGA Tour victory Sunday.

Ames and Hensby better watch their backs, because Tiger Woods is making a move. A day after rebounding with the cut, Woods flirted with a 6-under 65 to pull within four shots of the lead.

Jim Furyk (68), playing his second tournament since wrist surgery in March, is also four back, as is Mike Small (69), the golf

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# Lakers now must play waiting game

As Krzyzewski ponders job offer, team weighs future of two stars

BY TIM BROWN  
Los Angeles Times

It was Monday afternoon and some Duke basketball personnel had gathered on a campus court in Durham, N.C.

Mike Krzyzewski entered the gym, accompanied to a witness, and approached the group. The conversation stopped.

"You'll never guess who called," Krzyzewski told them. "Kobe Bryant. He wants me to come coach him."

Three days later, not far from that gym, Krzyzewski sat with Lakers General Manager Mitch Kupchak discussing the details of an offer to leave Duke for Los Angeles, perhaps to coach Bryant, also present, deciding if he wants to be a Laker.

Bryant's future with the Lakers could be tied to Krzyzewski's decision, which the organization expects shortly, perhaps by the end of the week.

Neither Krzyzewski nor Duke athletic director Joe All-eva were in their offices Friday, the day after news broke in Durham that the Lakers had come calling. Krzyzewski was believed to be spending the weekend with his family at a beach home in North Carolina.

Krzyzewski pondered a future in Los Angeles, and Bryant pondered two franchises in Los Angeles, and Shaquille O'Neal pondered leaving Los Angeles, the Lakers waited. They do not ex-

pect to have a new coach, no matter who it is, in place until the middle of next week, at the earliest. Bryant is expected to meet next week with Clippers officials, including Executive Vice President Andy Roeser, General Manager Elvin Baylor and coach Mike Dunleavy.

Meanwhile, Rudy Tomjanovich sits in Houston, going on two weeks since his interview with Kupchak and owner Jerry Buss, having known all along the Lakers had at least one more call to make.

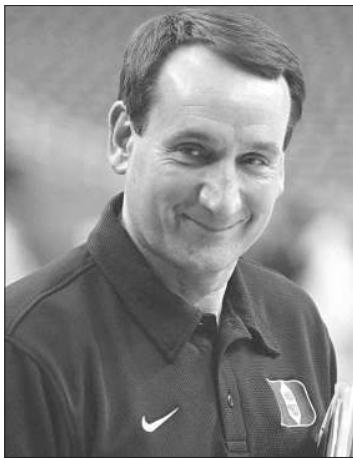
Bryant and Tomjanovich have tried to contact each other, though it is unknown if they have an offer to leave Duke for Los Angeles connected.

It would appear Bryant's preference is Krzyzewski, and he is already his college coach.

Tomjanovich would be coming from semi-retirement, a year in which he recovered from bladder cancer, worked his garden and scouted basket-

ball players. In the days before his interview, he had decided the Lakers would be a good course for him, and his urologist, Dr. Bernard Goldfarb, forwarded examination results that proved Tomjanovich was in good health. Friends of Tomjanovich said Friday he was not put off by the sudden and immediate problem of being without that, either way, the process has been good for him; it told him he was ready to coach again.

Back in Los Angeles after a day spent flying in and out of North



Mike Krzyzewski has won three national titles in 24 seasons at Duke.

Carolina, Kupchak returned to the busy work of O'Neal's trade request, Bryant's free agency and rebuilding a roster that, depending on what happens with O'Neal and Bryant, will need a lot of work or a little.

Lakers management assumes Bryant would return if Krzyzewski accepts its offer, presumed to be for \$8 million annually over at least five years. But O'Neal has yet to be traded, another potential condition of Bryant's resignation.

All the while the Clippers lurk, probably not unhappy the Phoenix Suns spent their money on guard Steve Nash instead of saving it for Bryant and the Dallas Mavericks' weakened their chance to pull O'Neal away from the Lakers.

In the meantime, as the first Lakers domino teetered, Duke officials clenched their jaws as they entered a very long weekend. After 621 victories and three national championships in 24 seasons in Durham, Krzyzewski is considering a Lakers offer to take

him away from the hardships of the college game. It also would take him from his three grown daughters and four grandchildren, all of whom reside in Durham, just to sort out the Lakers' mess, and while being recruited by Bryant, who will stand trial for rape in August.

"The Lakers have a lot more they can offer for a coach that other teams and colleges can't match," Duke President Richard Brodhead said from Vermont on Friday. "Coach K is going to have to decide in his heart what's right and best for him."

"I'm going to have to be patient. He'll have his decision when the time is right. He'll know it when he feels it. I think now he needs time and distance to think. Everyone knows the attachment he feels to Duke and to college basketball, but this offer has its temptations."

"The nature of this weekend is to pause. It's my deep hope he will choose to stay at Duke."

## Bryant case judge urges Colo. court to uphold order

The Associated Press

DENVER — The judge in Kobe Bryant's sexual assault case urged the Colorado Supreme Court on Friday to back up his order barring the media from publishing details from a closed-door hearing.

The judge cited the NBA star's right to a fair trial as well as privacy concerns for his accuser.

"While it is true that the [news media's] First Amendment freedoms are extraordinarily powerful, they must not be permitted to over-

come these most fundamental of personal rights," District Judge Terry Ruckriegle's attorneys wrote in the court filing.

The high court had asked Ruckriegle to justify his threat to hold media organizations in contempt if they publish details from a transcript accidentally sent to seven media organizations last week.

The transcripts deal with attempts by Bryant's attorneys to introduce information about the accuser's sex life and about money she has received under a state victims' compensation program.

None of the organizations has published the contents. The Supreme Court said Ruckriegle's order remains in effect until the question of its legality is resolved. But the justices said they wanted an explanation from Ruckriegle on why they should not overturn his order prohibiting dissemination of the information.

The situation, the judge's filing said, "threatens to impair the integrity of the criminal trial process."

Prosecutors in the case also argued that the trial should be sealed. Bryant's defense team did not weigh in.

### Celtics sign first-round picks

WALTHAM, Mass. — The Boston Celtics have signed first-round draft picks Al Jefferson, Delonte West and Tony Allen, the team announced Saturday. Terms of the deals were not disclosed.

The Celtics selected Jefferson, a forward from Prentiss (Miss.) H.S., with the 15th overall selection in the June 25 draft. They picked West, a guard from St. Joseph's, with the 24th overall pick and Allen, an Oklahoma State guard, with the 25th overall pick.

Jefferson averaged 42 points and 18 rebounds per game during his senior season. West averaged 18.9 points per game to help lead St. Joseph's to an undefeated regular season. Allen averaged 16 points per game and was the Big 12 Player of the year.

The Celtics also made a qualifying offer to center Chris Mihm before the June 30 deadline. The move gives the Celtics the right to match any offer Mihm receives. Mihm averaged 61 points and 5.1 rebounds per game last season.

## Nash's departure ends Big Three era in Dallas

BY JAMIE ARON  
The Associated Press

DALLAS — Steve Nash wanted to remain with the Dallas Mavericks so much that he promised the team the chance to counter any offer he received.

So when the Phoenix Suns quickly drafted a five-year contract, with a potential sixth season, worth at least \$65 million, Mavs owner Mark Cuban was faced with a tough choice.

If he matched it, he'd be risking that Nash would stay healthy and effective through at least his 35th birthday. That's questionable considering his all-out playing style. So Cuban pondered the chance of

owing \$12 million to \$15 million to a backup point guard.

If he didn't match it, Cuban knew the Mavs would face the immediate problem of being without their heart and soul, the leader on the court who powered their rise to among the NBA's elite and a key component to their locker-room harmony.

Cuban didn't like the long-term view. While the short-term picture wasn't much better, he was able to rationalize it.

Dallas still has top draft pick Devin Harris and promising second-year guard Marquis Daniels. A backcourt that raw isn't the ideal way to chase a championship, but the Spurs won a title two

years ago with Tony Parker, who was younger and less experienced than Harris. Plus, he'd be saving a lot of money.

So Cuban stuck with his sense of building for the future over what's probably best for the short term.

Nash's departure — which can't be official until July 14 because of NBA rules — means the end of Dallas' Big Three, the combination of Nash, Dirk Nowitzki and Michael Finley that carried the Mavs to the Western Conference finals two seasons ago.

Now Cuban, coach Don Nelson and president of basketball operations Donnie Nelson must operate the Remaining Two can mesh

with the young ballhandlers to keep Dallas competitive in the tough Western Conference. "You're never fully prepared at the prospect of losing an All-Star player, but at the same time it's not like we're totally caught with our pants around our ankles," Donnie Nelson said Friday. "Mar-

quis is a tall point guard who has playoff experience and, internally, we're certainly very caught up about Devin Harris and the kind of player he can be. The only caveat is that they're both young."

The tandem will begin working together as soon as this weekend.

Daniels, a restricted free agent, agreed late Thursday to a six-year deal worth roughly \$38 million. Harris signed his contract Friday.







# Arizona's sloppy play mars debut of Pedrique

By BOB BAUM  
The Associated Press

PHOENIX — Rallying from a five-run deficit wasn't quite enough to give Al Pedrique a victory in his debut as Arizona manager.

That season-long Diamondbacks' problem — errors — made the difference.

Danny Bautista bobbled a ball in the outfield, allowing Luis Rivas to score in the ninth inning and give the Twins a 6-5 victory over the Diamondbacks on Friday night.

Minnesota stopped a five-game losing streak and pulled within one game of the first-place Chicago White Sox in the AL Central.

Arizona, last in the NL West, dropped to 29-51.

Pedrique, who managed in the minor leagues for eight seasons before becoming Arizona's third base coach this year, was hired Friday as the Diamondbacks' manager for the rest of the season.

Bob Brenly was fired less than three weeks after leading Arizona to the World Series title.

The Diamondbacks, down 5-0 after three innings, scored five in the fourth.

"I'd say the first two innings I



Arizona interim manager Al Pedrique, right, confers with coach Lorenzo Bundy in the first inning of Friday night's game against the Minnesota Twins. Pedrique replaced Bob Brenly, who was fired earlier in the day.

was pretty nervous," Pedrique said. "But then the team came back, and I really got pumped and I felt much better the rest of the game."

Stephen Randolph (2-2), who had retired seven in a row, walked Rivas with one out in the ninth, then was replaced by Brandon Villafuerte. Pinch-hitter Matthew LeCroy doubled to right center, and Bautista bobbled the ball, allowing Rivas to score.

"It was a tough play. He ran a long way and has got to be behind the ball in the game," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "That's not an easy play, and Luis is one of our faster guys, too. Speed does

that to people. Speed can make you rush things."

It was Minnesota's third unearned run of the game.

J.C. Romero (4-1) pitched three scoreless innings, and Joe Nathan threw a scoreless ninth for his 23rd save in 24 chances.

Arizona spent millions to build a winner in a hurry, and the strategy paid off with the 2001 World Series title. Now the franchise is rebuilding with youth, and that's a big reason Brenly was fired.

The team could get even younger soon. A handful of veterans remaining on the team might be headed elsewhere as contenders shop for help before the July 31 trade deadline.

"If you're asking whether or not we have a fire sale going on, the answer is no," Jerry Colangelo, the team's chairman and chief executive, said Friday. "We think it would be prudent to listen to what people have to offer because of the position we're in as a franchise."

Any activity probably would come just before the deadline.

"Basically the more we can stockpile, the better it might be," Colangelo said. "But that doesn't mean we'll make any deals."

Steve Finley, Danny Bautista and Roberto Alomar are among the possible trade candidates. Finley can veto any deal but might be willing to go to San Diego, where he keeps his offseason home.

# Resurgent Pirates take pair from Milwaukee

By ALAN ROBINSON  
The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — That Brian Giles trade is looking more one-sided every day.

The surprise is it's now favoring the Pittsburgh Pirates, thanks to the rapid development of rookies Jason Bay and Oliver Perez.

Bay had an eight-RBI game for the second time in less than a year and the Pirates ran their winning streak to seven by beating the Milwaukee Brewers 13-2 Friday night for a doubleheader sweep.

Tony Alvarez's grand slam supported another strong start by Perez in the opener, an 8-1 Pirates victory that came after Milwaukee had won five in a row to close within 3½ games of the NL Central lead.

The Pirates are on their best spurt since winning eight in a row from Sept. 1-8, 2000.

Bay, acquired with Perez in the Giles trade with San Diego a year ago, had three run-in doubles and a two-run homer, matching the eight RBIs he had Sept. 19 against the Chicago Cubs.

"Obviously, I thought that would be safe for a while," Bay said. "I didn't think I'd drive in eight again. I'd be lying if I said I didn't think about it (his last at-bat), but I was six or seven batters away when the winning started and I didn't even know if I'd get up."

Manager Lloyd McClendon said, "I never thought I'd see that again, but he had eight again. It's pretty impressive. It's pretty amazing."

Bay's big night included a disputed homer off Jeff Bennett in the seventh. Bay is making a push for a fan's hands in the first row of the bleacher seats, and left fielder Geoff Jenkins immediately sought an interference call. The umpires ruled against him, briefly before signaling home run.

After the game, Milwaukee manager Ned Yost said, "I think they got it right. ... If the ball is in the park, it's fan's hands. But if it's over the fence — and Jenks went over the fence — then it's a home run."

Bay had nine RBIs in the doubleheader, and is making a push for the NL rookie in the year award with a .299 average, 10 homers and 34 RBIs despite missing the first month of the season after shoulder surgery. His production isn't that far off what Giles is giving the Padres.

"I'm not trying to replace anybody," Bay said. "I'm not trying to be like a Glen Davis for a number. I'm just trying to get what I can do, and it's nice to see Oliver doing well, too."

Pirates starter Josh Fogg (6-6) won for the sixth time in eight decisions since an 0-4 start, taking a 6-0 lead into the seventh before leaving after Jenkins' 11th homer.

# Beckett due back for Monday start vs. Pirates

The Associated Press

MIAMI — World Series MVP Josh Beckett will return from the disabled list and start Monday for the Florida Marlins against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Beckett, who has made just one start since May 30, went on the DL May 31 because of a blister on his right middle finger. He returned from the DL on June 17, but went back on it after straining a back muscle against the Chicago White Sox.

Beckett's back has felt much better in recent days, allowing him to throw consecutive pain-free bullpen sessions.

"I'm jacked up," said Beckett, who is 4-4 with a 3.86 ERA.

The Marlins also made other moves to their rotation Friday.

Right-hander A.J. Burnett will start Sunday against Tampa Bay on three days' rest. Left-hander Dontrelle Willis' next start will be pushed back to Tuesday in hopes that the extra rest will help him regain his early season form. Willis is 6-5 with a 4.24 ERA since opening the season 3-0. He hasn't made it out of the fifth inning in any of his last three outings.



## Briefs

### Rolen to leave MRI

ST. LOUIS — St. Louis Cardinals third baseman Scott Rolen expects to have an MRI on his sore left knee in the next few days.

The minor injury has bothered him for several weeks, although it hasn't hampered him too much. He leads the majors with 77 RBIs.

"I don't think it's a big deal," Rolen said. "I'll get checked by the doctor. I'll probably get an MRI just to see if it's a problem."

Rolen said running has been difficult. He pulled up lame on one groundout during the last home stand.

"It was an ache and a pain like everybody else in the league and it kind of kept aching and paining," Rolen said. "But I'm going to play today, tomorrow and Sunday and Monday and Tuesday."

### Cubs' Hollnsworth on DL

CHICAGO — Todd Hollnsworth, who's been a valuable spot starter, backup and pinch-hitter this season for the Chicago Cubs, was put on the 15-day disabled list Saturday with a bruised right shin.

Hollnsworth fouled a ball off his shin last Sunday against the Chicago White Sox and has been bothered by nerve problems in his right leg.

He was batting 318 with eight homers and 22 RBIs.

### Neagle has second operation

DENVER — Colorado Rockies left-hander Denny Neagle had shoulder surgery on Friday, his second operation in less than a year.

Neagle hoped to return this season after having elbow ligament replacement surgery last July 30, but those plans were put on hold after arthroscopic surgery in Cincinnati to repair a labral tear and remove unhealthy tissue from his shoulder.

Neagle has had three mostly disappointing seasons since signing a \$51 million, five-year contract with Colorado in 2001. He went a combined 17-19 his first two years with the Rockies, then was 2-4 with a 7.90 ERA in seven games last season.

### Rockies call up Pellow, designate Holloway

DENVER — The Colorado Rockies swapped utility players Friday, calling up Kit Pellow from Triple-A Colorado Springs and designating Denny Holloway for assignment.

Pellow started the season on Colorado's Opening Day roster and hit .258 with a homer and eight RBIs in 39 games before being sent down June 20 when Larry Walker came off the DL.

Pellow played mostly in the outfield in his first stint, but will likely see more time at catcher, his original position.

Hocking signed a minor league contract before the season and made the team out of spring training because of his versatility, but struggled at the plate and in the field. He hit just .202 with no homers and four RBIs in 35 games, and started having trouble throwing to first over the last month.

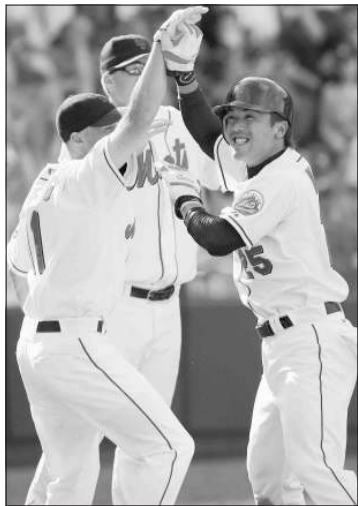
### Miller rests rotator cuff

HOUSTON — Houston pitcher Wade Miller has a frayed right rotator cuff and expects to return after resting it for two weeks.

Miller, placed on the 15-day DL on Wednesday, had an MRI Thursday that confirmed the diagnosis. He was placed on the disabled list after feeling soreness in his shoulder while playing catch before Tuesday's loss to the Chicago Cubs.

"I got some pain in there," Miller said Friday. "I'm going to take a few weeks off, get some rest and hopefully come back better."

Miller is 7-7 with a 3.35 ERA in 15 starts this season.



New York Mets baserunner Kaz Matsui, right, is greeted by teammates Jason Phillips and Joe McEwing after scoring the winning run in the ninth inning Saturday in a 10-9 victory over the New York Yankees.

# Advantage, Mets

## NL team assured of at least a split of Subway Series

BY RONALD BLUM

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — In a seersucker thriller, Shane Spencer ensured the New York Mets of no worse than a split in this year's Subway Series.

Spencer hit a dribbler against his former team with the bases loaded in the ninth inning to drive in the winning run, capping an afternoon of comebacks and giving the Mets a 10-9 victory Saturday over the New York Yankees.

Tony Clark homered twice and tied his career high with four hits, but the Yankees wasted leads of 3-1, 6-4 and 8-6 and failed to score with the bases loaded in the ninth against John Franco (2-4).

Cliff Floyd, Ty Wigington and Richard Hidalgo homered off Jose Contreras, but the Mets made two errors that led to four unearned runs and failed to hold leads of 4-3 and 9-8.

With the score 9-1 in the bottom of the ninth, Tanyon Sturtze (3-1) relieved and walked Kaz Matsui, who had three hits. Mike Piazza then popped out, but Floyd walked and Hidalgo was hit by a pitch to lead the bases.

That brought up Spencer, who earlier had given the Mets a 9-8 lead with a two-run double.

The Yankees moved the infield in, and Spencer hit a soft roller between the mound and first. Sturtze fumbled with the ball for a moment, and his desperation flip to the plate was too high and too late as Matsui slid across the plate.

The jubilant Mets, who have won three of five meetings between the teams with only Sunday's game remaining, mobbed Spencer at first base.

The play was scored a fielder's choice.

After Clark's second homer of the day — and fourth in five games — gave the Yankees an 8-6 lead in the sixth, Hidalgo hit a solo homer in the bottom half.

Spencer, who played for the Yankees from 1998 to 2002, was 1-for-6 against Tom Gordon with five strikeouts before his bases-loaded, two-run double to left in the seventh.

Mets reliever Mike Stanton walked Bernie Williams leading off the bottom half and Williams became the fourth leafoff walk on the day to score against the Mets. Wigington fumbled Clark's broken-bat grounder to third for an error, John Flaherty sacrificed and pinch-hitter Ruben Sierra tied it 9-11 with a sacrifice fly against Ricky Bottalico.

The Yankees loaded the bases in the ninth after pinch-hitter Jason Giambi, in a 1-for-1 slump as he battles intestinal parasites, doubled off Franco. After Williams was intentionally walked and Clark hit an infield single, Jorge Posada pinch-hit.

Francisco batted back from a 3-0 count to get a called third strike to end the inning.

Posada threw his bat and argued with plate umpire Chuck Meriwether before being intercepted and pushed away by Yankees manager Joe Torre.

Infielder Enrique Wilson was the only non-pitcher left on the Yankees' bench at the end.

The Yankees' Alex Rodriguez went 0-for-4, stranding four of five runners. Rodriguez has just one hit in his last 17 at-bats, and his average has dropped from .307 on June 13 to .276. With runners in scoring position, he is batting just .213 (16-for-75).

Contreras, in his second start since reuniting with his family after his wife and two daughters defected from Cuba, allowed seven runs and eight hits in five-plus innings. The Mets' Matt Ginter gave up six runs — three earned — and six hits in 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings.

# Maddux, Sosa deliver in the rain at Wrigley Field

The Associated Press

**CHICAGO** — Greg Maddux pitched around three rain delays to gain his 296th victory and Sammy Sosa backed him up with a home run and a great sliding catch Saturday as the Chicago Cubs beat the Chicago White Sox 4-2 on a wet day at Wrigley Field.

The game was called after it was delayed a fourth time for 77 minutes after the top of the sixth inning. Umpires inspected the field, as did managers Ozzie Guillen of the White Sox and Dusty Baker of the Cubs, before the game was declared over because of unplayable conditions.

Returning to the mound after delays at

## Baseball roundup

31, 15 and 59 minutes, Maddux (7-6) allowed five hits and two runs in 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings.

Sosa's 14th homer of the season and 553rd of his career came in the bottom of the fifth, just before the third rain delay.

Jose Valentin's RBI single cut the lead to 4-1 in the top of the sixth.

Michael Wuerz relieved and, as he began to rain steadily again, Paul Konerko singled to lead the bases before Timo Perez hit a sacrifice fly.

When Joe Crede hit a shallow fly to right, Sosa came sprinting in through the rain to make a sliding catch to stop the rally. The game was then delayed a fourth time.

In Friday's games:

**Braves 6, Red Sox 3 (12):** Nick Green tied it with a sacrifice fly in the 10th inning off relief ace Keith Foulke and won it with a three-run homer off Anastacio Martinez (2-1) in the 12th for the host Braves.

**Giants 7, Athletics 3:** Barry Bonds hit his third homer in three days and Ray Durham homered twice and drove in a career-high five runs for host San Francisco.

Bonds' 22nd home run of the year was No. 680 of his career.

**Orioles 7, Phillies 6 (16):** Miguel Tejada's RBI single in the 16th lifted visiting Baltimore out of last place in the AL East with its third straight victory.

Tejada's homer in the seventh tied it 6-6.

**Mets 11, Yankees 2:** Kaz Matsui homered twice and drove in five runs to help the host Mets stop an eight-game winning streak by Mike Mussina (9-5).

Steve Trachsel (8-6) did not allow an earned run over seven innings in stopping the Yankees' five-game winning streak.

**Angels 7, Dodgers 3:** Aaron Sele (5-0) pitched seven innings, allowing a solo homer by Alex Cora and a two-run shot by



Detroit's Alex Sanchez concentrates on putting down a bunt against Colorado on Friday.

Paul Lo Duca of the visiting Dodgers.

**Indians 15, Reds 2:** Ronnie Belliard hit the first of visiting Cleveland's four homers, clearing the way for Japanese college star Kazuhito Tadano to win his first start for the Indians. Tadano (1-0), shunned by Japanese pro teams aware that he had appeared in a gay porn video, got his first keepsake moment in the majors, striking out a career-high 10 in seven innings.

**Devil Rays 4, Marlins 2:** Aubrey Huff hit his 11th homer and drove in three runs. Huff's two-out, two-run shot off Carl Pavano (9-3) broke a 2-2 tie. Mike Lowell hit his 19th homer for host Florida, which has lost 10 of 14.

**Astros 7, Rangers 5:** Morgan Ensberg hit a two-run homer in the eighth, his first of the season, and Carlos Beltran had an RBI in his home debut for the host Astros.

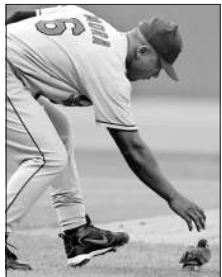
**Rockies 9, Tigers 8 (10):** Charles Johnson's three-run homer off Ugoeth Urbina tied it with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, and Colorado scored twice in the 10th to end a five-game losing streak.

**Expos 2, Blue Jays 0:** At San Juan, Puerto Rico, Liván Hernandez (6-7) pitched a four-hitter for his fourth complete game of the season. Tony Batista drove in two runs.

**Padres 7, Royals 5:** Phil Nieve homered in consecutive at-bats and Humberto Quintero, Brian Buchanan and Brian Giles also connected for the host Padres.

**Cardinals 11, Mariners 2:** Woody Williams (6-6) overcame a two-hour rain delay and combined with three relievers on a six-hitter for host St. Louis.

Albert Pujols had three RBIs and Scott Rolon got his major league-leading 77th.



Baltimore third baseman Melvin Mora grabs a pigeon who wandered onto the field before Friday night's game at Philadelphia.

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# Sharapova stuns Serena

## Teen becomes first Russian to win Wimbledon singles title

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WIMBLEDON, England — Tennis has a new superstar. And she's just 17.

Completing an improbable journey from the far reaches of Siberia to the pinnacle of the sport, Maria Sharapova beat two-time defending champion Serena Williams 6-1, 6-4 Saturday to win Wimbledon for her first Grand Slam title.

She's the first Russian to win a Wimbledon singles title, the third-youngest women's champion in history and, at No. 13, the lowest seeded women's winner since Wimbledon began seeding players in 1927.

"I never, never in my life expected this to happen so fast," Sharapova said. "It's always been my dream to come here and to win. It was never in my mind I would do it this year."

After Williams hit a forehand into the net to end the 73-minute match, Sharapova dropped to her knees at the baseline and covered her face with her hands. She raised her arms and walked to the net.

Williams walked around the net and the two players embraced.

Sharapova pumped her fists, whacked a ball into the stands and climbed into the guest box to hug her father, Yuri. She pulled out a cell phone and tried to call her mother but couldn't get through immediately.

Sharapova accepted the winner's trophy — the Venus Rosewater dish — from the

Duke of Kent.

"I want to cut up this trophy and give it to everybody, this whole crowd," she said.

Turning to Williams, Sharapova said, "I have to take this trophy from you for one year. I'm sorry. ... I'm sure we're going to be here one more time and hopefully many more times in other Grand Slams and fight for the trophy."

"It wasn't my day," a gracious Williams told the Centre Court crowd. "Maria played a really good match. Congratulations on your first Grand Slam."

On the men's side, defending champion Roger Federer and Andy Roddick won their semi-final matches Saturday to set up a championship showdown between the top two seeded players.

Federer needed 29 minutes and four match points to complete a 6-2, 6-3, 7-6 (6) win over Sebastian Grosjean, extending his grass-court winning streak to 23 matches.

Roddick beat 20-year-old Mario Ancic, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5 to reach his first Wimbledon final and second Grand Slam championship match. He won last year's U.S. Open.

It will be the first Wimbledon men's final between the top two seeded players since 1982, when No. 2 Jimmy Connors beat No. 1 John McEnroe.

"I'm excited," Roddick said. "He's the best and I want to go for a match up against him. We're both going to come out firing. I can't wait."

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Serena Williams, who lost the most lopsided women's final since 1992, failed in her attempt to become only the third woman in 35 years to win three consecutive titles.



Russia's Maria Sharapova reacts to match point over Serena Williams on Centre Court at Wimbledon on Saturday. Sharapova, 17, defeated the two-time defending champion 6-1, 6-4. She's the third-youngest women's champion and, at No. 13, the lowest-seeded women's winner since Wimbledon began seeding players in 1927.

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